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Cabinet Council Minutes
1887-1890

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Lorrin:

I urge that this book go to the Archives immediately. It is the minutes of the Green-Thurston cabinet --- the cabinet's meetings alone, not with Kalakaua; and it supplements the cabinet council minutes, which report the meetings of the cabinet with Kalakaua. Those minutes are in the Archives.

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Record of the informal meetings of the Cabinet Council

An informal Council at which all the Ministers were present was held on the 11th of July in the office of the Minister of Finance and was adjourned until the 12th inst when the following conclusions were arrived at

Capt John Ross be appointed Tax Assessor for the district of Kona Oahu in place of F. H. Hayselden resigned

Dr. Rogers to be recommended as Secy to the Board of Health

Thos. Lishman, to be appointed as Road Supervisor of Honolulu

A. J. Atkinson to be recommended as Supt of Public Schools

Jerius H. Smith Supt of Public Works to be removed and H. E. Rowell to be appointed in his place

Jno Austin to be nominated to His Majesty for the position of Registrar of Conveyances.

It was agreed that the Cabinet on their next meeting with His Majesty request him to make a statement with reference to the claim of Tai Ari for $71.000. said to have been paid for an Opium license.

It was also agreed that no more Chinese return passports in large numbers be granted until consultation has been had with the Board of Immigration

Godfrey Brown
Minr For. Affairs

An informal council of the Ministers was held on the 18th of July in the office of the Minister of Finance at which all ministers were present it was decided that Capt Tripp Jailor of Oahu Prison should be removed and that Capt Staples be appointed in his place also that Julius A Smith Supt of Public Works be removed and F.R. Lawrence appointed to the vacancy.

A long conversation on the subject of Immigration was held and the conclusion arrived at was that the general terms of the modification to the Japanese Convention be agreed to but that no definite answer be given to Mr Neumann before the document is before the Cabinet.

The Minister of the Interior submitted a scheme for the governance of the elections to be held under the new Constitution which met with the approval of the Cabinet.

Godfrey Brown
Min for Affairs

Record of Meetings of the Cabinet

Office of the Minister of Finance Jany 9 1888
~~Informal~~ Meeting of the Cabinet at 1.30 PM
Ministers all present.
It was agreed that the Min Foreign Affairs should keep minutes of Cabinet Meetings.
Min Finance proposed to allow 4% to all tax Assessors & Collectors for 1887.
Agreed to.
Min Foreign Affairs reported having delivered to His Majesty the Resolution of the Legislature Concerning the Commission in re Judicial System, No action to be taken till Judge Preston is consulted.
Letter from F.S. Lyman Lieut Gov of Hawaii read, asking what disposition should be made of the tax books of Hawaii, Agreed that Min Finance should write that the Office of Governor of Hawaii is abolished, and instructing him to send to Min Finance all books &c & that Min Finance will pay all Collectors & Assessors.
Min F.A, enquired in re bills vs the Kaimiloa, by what authority the supplies were furnished &c, & stated that he had requested claimants to meet him on the 11th inst, It was agreed that the Legislature had not passed upon these bills, and that the Bills for liquor sent to Bush on verbal order of J.S. Webb be not paid
Min Int reported application for Charter for Central Union Church, issuance of Charter agreed to, the papers being in regular form.
Atty Genl reported having told the Marshal of his proposed removal, also that a change in the Sheriffalty of Hawaii should be made, the fitness of E.G. Hitchcock being discussed for the position, No other available and well qualified man was nominated.
Agreed that the Marshal should be asked

to request the resignation of Sheriff Baker by the outgoing mail, & that E.G. Hitchcock should be invited to come to Honolulu, preparatory to being appointed Sheriff of Hawaii

Cabinet adjourned

Jon^n Austin Min Foreign Affairs.

Office Minister of Finance Jany 10 1888
Meeting at 1.30 P.M. present Ministers Green, Thurston & Austin.

Further discussion about Hawaii Tax books &c, & confirmed that the Min. Finance write him to send in the Tax Books.

Minister of the Interior reported his intention to send out Commissions for Road Inspectors as soon as the Boards can be filled. The matter was discussed as also the handling of the Road tax. Min Interior suggested that the Road Tax be kept separate, Min Finance said it is all in silver, & decided to make it a special deposit.

Minister Interior reports having settled with the Japanese Interpreters & Physicians for about $33,000, & that he will draw drafts for it in a day or two.

Cabinet adjourned. Jon^n Austin Min^r of Finance

Jany 11th 1888 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

Min Int reported application of F.E. Leslie for a license for Keystone Saloon, also that G.H. Macfarlane & Co are the owners of the premises and the business, the Atty Genl had concurred in the opinion that the law does not warrant the issuing of a license to an employee. Agreed that the Atty Genl should notify the Min Int that he believes that G.H. Macfarlane & Co are implicated in the late

Custom House Irregularities in re the entry of liquors and their withdrawal from bond duty free, and ask that no license be granted to them until their connection therewith is satisfactorily explained, then Min Int will notify G.W. & Co to close the saloon.

The tenure of office of tax Assessors and Collectors, with a view to making them permanent was approvingly discussed. Discussion was had of the propriety of bringing before the Courts the validity of some of the so called veto laws, and it was decided to continue the present course until the Marshal and Sheriff of Hawaii are changed.

The matter of the unassigned lands was discussed. Min Int thinks them Govt property, and states that Prof Alexander is of the same opinion. Mr C.R. Bishop has been to the Min in this connection and the Minister thinks it desirable that the services of Judge Hartwell be secured, as the ownership of Honolulu Harbor is also involved. Judge Hartwell's retainer would be $250, in each case or $500, in all. Agreed that he should be retained.

Cabinet adjourned Jon^a Austin
Min F.A.

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Jany 12th Finance Office at 1.30 P.M. All present. Col G.W. Macfarlane was also present and discussed the matter of the withdrawal from bond of liquors during the past two years by the firms of G.W. Macfarlane & Co and Macfarlane & Co upon the orders of Mr Wodehouse the British Commissioner and the King respectively. Col Macfarlane explained that it is not proposed by those firms that the liquor so withdrawn

were all delivered to or consumed by the parties who gave the orders. The system pursued had been this. Suppose Major Wodehouse should order a cask or case of a certain kind of liquor which we had in stock, we would deliver it from the store, and then withdraw from bond an amount of any kind of liquor so that the duty thereon would balance the price of the liquor so sold and delivered from the store, thus we do not profess that Mr. Wodehouse paid us cash for the liquor purchased by him, but he made payment by giving us orders for the withdrawal of such amounts that the duties on such withdrawals would balance his account. Thus ~~the~~ his account would stand, on the debit side the amount of liquors actually delivered to him, and on the credit side the amount of remitted duties upon liquors withdrawn from bond upon his order, in this manner the one side of the account balances the other and no cash passes, and the liquor delivered to Mr Wodehouse costs him nothing.

In regard to the amounts withdrawn upon the orders of the King, the same system prevailed. Thus we would charge the King on the debit side with so much liquor as we delivered to him or to others (for instance to vessels for shipment to other Islands) on his order, and when the amount due became large we would send word to the King to make settlement, then he would send down an order for the withdrawal of liquors the duties on which would

balance the amount to his debit, thus he paid his liquor bills with orders for the withdrawal of liquor with duties remitted and we took the liquor.

During the last election under the Gibson Administration Hayselden came to us and ordered large amounts of liquor, as he said for the Government, it was not for his personal use he said. The amount so delivered was large, and it was sent to different parts of the Islands, after a time I asked Hayselden for payment and threatened him with suit, he said he would bring in an order, and some time later brought an order from the King for withdrawals, the duty remitted on which balanced the account for the liquor so delivered on Hayseldens order. Large amounts of the liquor so withdrawn was for election purposes. I was present when Hayselden brought in the Kings order in payment of the liquor ordered by Hayselden.

I cannot give the names of the natives to many of whom this liquor was sent, but we have receipts for every delivery whether to the Palace or on board vessels. It is not true that we thus delivered any liquor to any saloon in town which had been so withdrawn. i.e upon the Kings account. We would not have allowed it.

The matter of the License to the Keystone Saloon was discussed and it was agreed to allow the saloon to run till the Atty Genl should consult the books of the firm named, which books Col Macfarlane offered to place at his disposal for investigation of the matters under consideration. After investigation

the Atty Genl will report his conclusions & further action will be taken.

Cabinet Adjourned

1888 Jon^a Austin Min For Affairs

Jany 13 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

Discussion of Custom House frauds

Atty Genl reports that he has made some investigation of the books of G H Macfarlane & Co did not take an abstract, but found enough to completely verify the statement made to us by G H Macfarlane yesterday

It was unanimously agreed that the Atty Genl should take immediate action in the way of both civil & criminal proceedings against G.H. Macfarlane & Co and Macfarlane & Co. That the criminal action should be for Conspiracy agt said firms & Hayseldon if on examination of the law, such charge will lie.

Re Madras Case, Settlement of the case was discussed on the basis of $20.000.

Atty Genl is to report figures at next meeting

The Question of Consul General in London was brought up, & Min Foreign affairs was authorized to sound T H Davies as to his acceptance of the position. The abolition of position of Chargé d'Affaires was decided upon but no action taken.

Re Consul General at San Francisco

It was considered that the position should be made a salaried one at about $4000. a year and a change of personal made

Cabinet adj'd to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow

1888 Jon^a Austin Min For Affairs

Jany 14th Met in Atty Genl's Office at 9 a.m.

Ministers all present.

Min Foreign Affairs reported conversation with Senhor Canavarro in re Luce liquor frauds. He is reluctant to go

on the witness stand to testify, but will consult his Diplomatic Colleagues, and if they are willing will go on the stand in Case the Court will exclude the public and forbid publishing the evidence. If that course is not accepted by his Colleagues, he will resign.

Re Madras. Atty General stated the figures on which the Judgment was based and read his letter to Mr Dole. He thought that not more than $20,000 should be allowed. Min Interior moves that It be proposed to Mr Davis that Cabinet will recommend next Legislature to appropriate $20,000. as compromise for a full settlement. Carried unanimously

Cabinet adjourned.

Same day Min Foreign Affairs made above proposition verbally to Mr Davis who said he would submit it.

1888 Jon A Austin Min Foreign Affairs

Jany 16th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

Re Sheriff of Hawaii. The Atty General reports that it is agreed that the Marshal shall forthwith remove Sheriff Baker of Hawaii and appoint E G Hitchcock. Baker having refused on advice to resign that A Rosa has interviewed the Atty Gen and stated that he had advised Baker to that effect, & he Rosa requested that a case be made up to test the veto question saying that he was Attorney for both Sheriff Baker of Hawaii & Governor Baker of Maui. That Mr Hitchcock will go up today if his Commission is signed with instructions to take possession.

Re Liquor Frauds. Min Foreign Affairs ~~declined to appoint~~ reported that Mr Camarano Portuguese Consul, declined to app[illegible]

a witness in Court in re Luce, but would would make a deposition in the case if required. Min For Af. authorized to request Mr C to write to his Govt for permission to go on the stand. And also to request Mr Wodehouse to go on the stand in re McFarlane case.
Atty Genl had not had time to look up the Conspiracy Law.
Min Foreign Affairs reported that he had declined to pay liquor bills for Samoan Embassy. & is prepared to pay most of the other bills vs Samoa Embassy and the Kaimiloa
Re Judgeship of Waianae. Atty Genl has consulted Judge Widemann who favors reappointing J P Kauna the present incumbent. Min F A nominates J P Kauna. Unanimously agreed to.
Atty Genl will fill out nominations to the Sup Court.
Cabinet Adjourned.

1888 Jon^n Austin Min Foreign Affairs
Jany 17th Finance Office 1.30 P M
Present Ministers Green. Ashford & Austin.
Mr Ashford presented for signature the Nomination of J P Kauna for Dist Justice of Waianae. Signed by all present & Atty Gen will hand it to Chief Justice.
Atty Gen not yet prepared to give an opinion in re liquor fraud prosecutions. Hopes to do so to morrow. He reports that Mr E. G. Hitchcock was yesterday appointed Sheriff of Hawaii vice Baker removed. & started for Hilo.
Cabinet Adjourned.
Jon^n Austin
Min Foreign Affairs

1888

Jany 18th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Ministers all present
Atty General reported an examination of the Conspiracy Laws in re liquor frauds of Hazelden & G W Macfarlane &c as reported by Col M at Cabinet meeting of the 12th inst, Also that he would like to engage Judge Hartwell to Counsel and assist him in any prosecution which may be agreed upon, Agreed to.
Min F.A. reported & submitted a letter from Mr Davies in re Madras wherein he asks for $23883.75 based upon figures submitted, Agreed that the matter should stand till Mr Hatch Atty for Mr Davies shall confer with the Atty Genl.
In re Bills not approved by the King Min Int urges early action to solve their validity, and to that end that an early change in the Marshalship be made. & then the matter be brought before the Court. Especially does the necessity of the Military situation demand that we should know where we stand with reference to our authority over the Military Min F.A. reported that Salary of Mr Genl Major & Adjutant had been paid to Dec 31st 1887.
Min Int reported information as to a Native Secret Society organized with a view to removing the King & putting Mrs Dominis in his place, A Committee of the Society's friends had demanded the Kings abdication monday night, they then having 300 men under arms in the Barracks. Agreed that Min F A should see and assure the King of the support of the Cabinet against any effort to unseat him as long as he will co-operate with them in their policy, and begin

by their advice.

The Cabinet then adjourned

1888 Jany 19 Jon^a Austin Min Foreign Affairs
Finance Office 1.30 P.M.
Present Ministers Green, Thurston & Austin.
The Cabinet nominate to the Supreme Court S. B. Kaalawaiaka to be District Justice for North Kona
Min F A reports seeing His Majesty yesterday at 4 P.M. & that H.M. promised to Co-operate fully with the Cabinet and do whatever we think best, & requested Min F. A. to order Chamberlain to prevent committees & suspicious persons from seeing the King except with permission of the Min F.A. Gave such orders to the Chamberlain. Min F. A. saw the King again at noon today & the King requested that the Cabinet should use every effort to prevent publicity in the matter, will do so as far as possible.
Re Small Pox Min Int reports the arrival of the City of New York from China with 259 passengers for this Port & 3 cases of Small Pox on board; that she had been ordered into quarantine with permission to land the sick, but no well person until expiration of 18 days from the landing of the last case. Approved. Demand was made by the Agents of the Ship to land their passengers under rule 14 Health Regulations. Demand refused

Cabinet Adjourned.

1888 Jany 21 Jon^a Austin Min Foreign Affairs
Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.
Atty General states that he has seen Dole and Judd re change of Marshal Dole said that he considered it

an Executive measure, with which the Judges should not interfere.
Min Finance stated that Judges Judd and Preston had waited on him officially and said that they thought Wilcox the best man, but would not say that they refused to accept Soper.
Atty Genl moved that it is the sense of the Cabinet that he request Kaulukou to resign the office of Marshal to take effect upon the appointment of his successor, and nominated John H Soper for Marshal. Agreed to.
Atty Genl reports that Mr Hartwell has consented to assist in the prosecution of the liquor frauds.

Cabinet adjourned.

Jon. Austin Min Foreign Affairs

1888
Jany 23 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present
Min Int reported that Judge Dole had told him confidentially that a majority of the Sup Court would refuse to confirm Soper as Marshal. Situation discussed. Min Int suggested avoiding conflict with the Sup Court, and that F. W. Wundenberg be nominated. Objected to by Atty Genl & Min F.A. who thought that we had better nominate Soper upon receiving resignation of Kaulukou
So decided –
Re Commission to consider the reorganization of the Sup Court, Decided to nominate S B Dole, A.S. Hartwell and C. W. Ashford.

Cabinet then Adjourned

Jon. Austin
Min Foreign Affairs

1888 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present
Jany 24 Ministers Green, Ashford & Austin
Attorney General reports that Marshal Kaulukou has this day tendered his resignation of that Office, which resignation is unconditional.
Atty Genl also submitted a draft of a letter to the Chief Justice notifying the Justices of the Sup Court of the vacancy in the Marshalship, and submitting for concurrence of the Justices the name of John H Soper for appointment as Marshal. The draft was agreed upon, to be sent immediately.
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min Foreign Affs.

1888
Jany 25 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present
Atty General presented the reply of the Justices of the Supreme Court to the letter nominating John H. Soper for Marshal in which they urge objections to Mr Soper for that Office, and ask the Atty Genl to withdraw the nomination of Mr Soper. After much discussion of the matter, the name of Harry Von Holt was suggested for the nomination. Agreed that the Atty Genl should see Mr Von Holt & report.
Minister of Foreign Affairs read a letter from the Belgian Consul announcing that a Convention will be held at Brussels March 15th 1888 to arrange for the Registration and publication of the duties and tariffs of all Civilized Nations, & requesting that the Hawaiian Government be represented at said Convention.

Agreed that the Min For Affairs reply accepting the invitation, and that our Consul at Antwerp be appointed to do represent this Government"

The Cabinet then adjourned

1888
May 26 Finance Office 11 A.M. All present
Atty Genl stated that he had seen Soper and Von Holt, re apptmt of Marshal, and that Von Holt was willing to accept
Min F.A. stated that he had seen Judge McCully who thinks that if we persist the Court will sign.
The Atty Genl preferred to adhere to our nomination & submitted a draft of letter to the Court.
Min Interior, thought that the Govt had made as much of a stand as we are required to do. & might look elsewhere with entire propriety, but that the the matter being more particularly in the Deptmt of the Atty Genl, he would acquiesce in his views.
Min F.A. said if Atty Genl desired it he would acquiesce.
Min Finance preferred Von Holt but agreed to such course. Draft of letter approved.
Min F.A. presented a letter from Robt Wilcox, J.M. Poepoe and E Kekoa to the King asking him to meet the people to consider 1st That the people do not approve of the Ministers. 2d That they do not approve of the doings of the last Legislature, and 3d that the writers are His Majestys obt servants
Min Int agreed to draft a reply
Adjourned till 1.30 P.M.
1.30 P.M. Same all present. Min.

submitted draft of a reply to Wilcox, ma refusing the request of a meeting with His Majesty. Agreed that this draft be submitted to the King, & sent by the Premier to the Committee.

Min For Affairs reported conversation with the King on change of Marshal. He told the King that we had nominated Soper, & that Sup Court had not yet ~~nomin~~ confirmed the name.

Agreed that J L Kaulukou shouldbe appointed Agent to take Ackts or Notary Public at the option of Min Int

Atty Genl reported having sent letter to Sup Court, declining to withdraw Nomination of J H Soper for Marshal.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Finance

1888
Jany 27th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

Atty General reported the receipt of a letter from Judge Judd declining on behalf of a majority of the Justices of the Supreme Court to approve of the nomination of J. H. Soper as Marshal.

Atty Genl further reports that papers are being prepared on behalf of Mr Everitt Sheriff of Maui vs Baker ex Gov of Maui in the nature of Mandamus to test the Veto question. Further that he proposes to communicate with J. M. Lydgate in re acceptance of Office of Marshal if it should be offered to him Agreed to.

Atty Gen also stated that Mr Hatch on behalf of Mr Davis offered to accept $22,000. in settlement of the Madras claim, No ~~action~~ change of former action was made.

Min Foreign affairs reported his intention to see the King with draft of reply to the Committee Hilco, Poepoe and Kekoa

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Jany 28 Finance Office 11.30 AM All present
Atty General reported that he had procured a writ of Mandamus in J. H. Everett vs Baker Exr of Maui, that it is returnable on Feby 1st

Min Interior reported that Judge Dole had advised him that if he would go before the Justices of the Sup Ct, and make further explanations than were made by Min For Affairs the nomination of Mr Soper would probably be confirmed. Agreed that we have made sufficient effort and that it would not be dignified to go further than has been done.

Min Foreign Affairs reported approval of the letter submitted to the King, & it was agreed to have it prepared and sent and copies given to the Press.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

1888
Jany 31 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. present Green Austin & Thurston.
Min For Affairs reported that he had seen Adjutant Robert Parker about taking charge of the Kings Guard, and he had consented to continue as Adjutant with a view to being appointed Captain eventually. Also the QM Genl Nowlein and Major Kahalewai had been discharged, & had accepted discharge without objection.

Also that QM Gen Nowlein states that

he has received no pay since his return from Europe last August. Governor Dominis explains that he was permitted to draw $150. per month under an old Commission as G. M. General by consent of Mess Brown & Green. Mr Green does not recollect any such arrangement. Agreed to disallow the amount in the pay roll for January.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

1888 Jon^a Austin Min For Affairs
Feby 6th Finance Office 2 P.M. All present
The Upholding of the Kings right of veto by the Supreme Court in the case of Everett vs Baker, today, was discussed Also a project to secure a Court more in accord with reform in Government.
Agreed upon motion that the Cabinet will not attempt to further enforce any of the so called veto laws, but proceed as if they had not been passed. Those laws are as follows
The law abolishing the Office of Governor
The law in relation to duties " "
The Police Bill
The Military Bill
The Bill forbidding renewal of liquor licences outside of Honolulu.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

1888 Jon^a Austin Min For Affairs
Feby 8th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. present Ministers Green Ashford & Austin
Correspondence from London, i.e letters from Mess Matheson, Armstrong and Col Griffin and cablegram from S.G. Wilder, received today by SS Australia were read & discussed.
Min For Affairs reported a debt of

about 11000 lire in Turin on a/c of "Education of Hawaiian youths"
Min Foreign Affairs reported the Kings assent to filling in the signed Commission for Marshal with the name of John Harris Soper, & that it had been so filled in. Atty General reported countersigning the same, its delivery to Mr Soper, and Mr Sopers installation into the Office to-day at 12. M.
The Deputy Marshalship was discussed and the claims of Harry Von Holt and Chas L Hopkins considered. Also was discussed the removal of Deputy Marshal Pahia.
Minister Finance reported application of H Kuihelani for his pension and it was

Resolved, That the pension of H Kuihelani as reduced & amended by Act of 1887 is sufficiently provided for by the Appropriation Act, and that the Minister of Finance is authorized by law to pay the reduced pension of $50. per month,

Resolution unanimously agreed to.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jas A Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Feby 10th Finance Office 2.10 P.M. All present
Min For Affairs reported discussion with the King concerning the Household troops in which the King expressed the desire to have the Major made Captain and the Adjutant 1st Lieut of that Corps upon the reduction of the forces. Left with the Min F.A. to settle as he thinks best.
Min F.A. read a letter from the

British Commissioner conveying the information that H.B.M. Govt is not pleased with the Pearl River Harbor clause of the extension of the Reciprocity Treaty with the U.S. Agreed that Min F.A. should investigate previous correspondence on the subject and prepare ~~an answer~~ a draft of an answer.

Min Interior reported petition of certain parties as "The Honolulu Electric Light Co" for franchise to place poles and electric light wires in the streets. Min Interior read draft of reply which was approved conditionally upon consigning this matter to private enterprise. The project of the Govt undertaking the construction of a system for lighting private houses was discussed & the means required therefor debated. The topic of a loan for this and similar purposes was talked down.

Gilbert Hallers application for a license to retail spirits on the S.W. corn of King & Nuuanu Streets to head off an alleged boycott of the beer made in his National Brewery was discussed but the sentiment of the Cabinet was not favorable to granting such license.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min Foreign Affairs

1888
Feby 14 Finance Office 1.30 PM All present
Letter from Mr Audley Coote in re Pacific Cable to Min Finance was read. He advised the Minister that he had empowered J H Davies & Co to treat for a contract in the matter. Referred to the Atty General.

In re Pearl River Harbor, The Min

of the British Commissioner was again considered & the Min F A submitted a draft of reply thereto which was amended and agreed to.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Feby 15 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

Min For Af reported conversation with the American Minister in reference to the reply of this Government to the despatch of the British Commissioner in re the Grant of this Govt to the U. S. rights in Pearl River Harbor, and stated his wish to furnish the American Minister with Copies of said despatch and the reply. The final draft of the reply to such despatch was read and approved.

Min Int submitted estimates of receipts of the Interior Department for the next biennial period, aggregating $496,620.

Progress of the work on the streets of Honolulu was discussed. The Min Int expressing dissatisfaction with the rate of progress made thus far by the Road Supervisor, & stating that that Officer does not obey orders.

Atty General reported preparations in progress for the demand upon the dealers for the unpaid liquor duties. Agreed that when complete demand shall be made upon the Macfarlanes for the amount due from them, after which the matter of the Keystone license and other licenses in which they are interested shall be decided. Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin Min For Affairs

1888 Finance Office 1.30 PM All present
Feby 16 Agreed that the Cabinet should meet Mr T H Davies at 1-30 PM tomorrow to discuss the "Madras Case"
Min For Affairs, submitted the question of Regulations in re the granting of Chinese passports under the last Chinese immigration Act, after discussion the matter was referred to Min F. A. to prepare draft of Regulations.
Min Finance submitted draft of letter to Hon Audley Coote in re Pacific Cable, which was agreed to.
Min Finance reported his resignation from the Board of Education,
The Cabinet then adjourned.
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Feby 17 Finance Office 1.30 PM. All present except Minister of the Interior.
Mr Theo H Davies was present and explained his view of the Madras case on behalf of Mr Chapman owner of that vessel. He also set forth the history of the negociations and trial concerning the claim. He urged the injustice of putting him to the expense & trouble of another trial. He read the letter of Mr Dole to himself upon Mr Doles withdrawal from the case. He urged the unfairness of refusing to yield to their demand of $22,000. as a final full settlement of the claim. After a full discussion of the status and prospects of the case it was agreed that the Cabinet should recommend the Legislature to pay $22,000. in full of this claim. and

that the Atty Genl should write Mr Davis as Atty in fact for Mr Chapman making that offer.

Min Finance read letter from Col Griffin of London enclosing Mr Matthews Cos letter with Armstrongs account of the expenses of floating the loan.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Feby 20th Finance Office 1,30 PM. All present

Y Kalai J P Bribery

Charge of bribery against Judge Y Kalai of Police Justice of Kohala as formulated by the Atty General for presentation to the Supreme Court was discussed. Also the late charges against Judge Kalama of Makaweo.

Chinese Permit Regulations

Proposed Regulations for the granting of permits to Chinese to enter the Kingdom were submitted by the Min F.A.

It was agreed that such regulations should demand that applicants produce full face + profile photographs as aids to identification. Regulations with this addition agreed to.

Molokai water pipes

Min Interior submitted question as to whether he could continue to pay from the amount appropriated for water pipes on Molokai, as an "Expense of the Leper Settlement" under Section 3 of the appropriation act, provided the biennial period shall elapse before the completion of the laying of the pipe. Agreed that the Minister should proceed with the laying of the pipe and that the question of paying balances after March 31st should be considered hereafter. Min Int also reported

Engineer to bore Honolulu Channel — that Engineer Lawrence was about to take borings from the Channel through the reef with a view to deepening Honolulu harbor entrance.

Madras offer of $22000 recommendation accepted — Atty Genl reported a reply from T H Davies in re Madras accepting offer of the Cabinet to recommend to the Legislature the payment of $22,000 in full of all claims.

New Wharf for I I & A Co — Min Int reported the arrival of the material for a new 180 foot wharf for the I I & A Co's vessels

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888

Feby 21 — Finance Office 1.30 PM All present

Hon Rifles bills — Min For Affairs presented a bill for $369.75 on behalf of and heretofore incurred by the Honolulu Rifles for rent & care of Armory &c. It was agreed upon suggestion of the Min F.A. that Min advise the Officers of the Rifles that the rent and care of their Armory will hereafter be borne by his Dept. Present bill to be paid

Officers of Kings Guard — Min F.A. further reports that selections of Officers for the Household Guards had been made, as follows Kahalewai nominated as Major for the present month, after which he is to be Captain and Robert Parker Waipa 1st Lieut. & that Commissions dated March 1st have been sent to the King at Kailua for signature. Min F.A. also reported

T H Davis re Consul at Lond — conversation with Thos H Davis in re appointing him Consul General at London

It was agreed that the Min F Affairs should ask for the resignations of Messrs Hoffman Chargé d'Affaires and

Armstrong Consul General at London, that the Office of Chargé d'Affaires shall not be filled, while that of Consul General shall be filled by the appointment of Mr Davies, who is to be informed of this purpose.

Haw^n Youths notice to come abroad, home or pay their own bills

In re Education of Hawaiian Youths Min F.A. reported the following persons as now being abroad at our expense, Miss Norlein, Music and painting at Turin Italy. Mr Herring Sculpture Turin Italy. Mr Makalua, Medecine at London. Mr Marchant Engraving Boston and Mr Lovell Ironwork San Francisco Agreed that Min F.A. shall notify those in Italy & Lovell at San Francisco, that if they wish to remain any longer there it must be at their own expense, but if they wish to come home at once their expenses of return will be paid.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Feby 22 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

Letter from H.B.M^s Commissioner

Min F.A. reported having received from the British Commissioner a reply acknowledging receipt of our despatch in answer to his Peare River Protest, & mentioning that only the notes of Mr Bayard were published with the Convention. Agreed that the Min F.A. shall send a copy of Mr Carters letter to Secretary Bayards letter submitting the Treaty for ratification,

Waller Beer License

Min Interior reported application of Mr Waller for a Wine & Beer License for which he is willing to pay $1000. & submitted the question whether it should

be issued. deferred for further consideration.

Judges Dole & Bickerton demand pay. Declined

Min Int reported that Judges Dole and Bickerton were anxious for the payment of their salaries for the present year. The legality of such payment in view of the amended appropriation bill was discussed, and it was agreed that they should be told that we cannot pay at present for want of an appropiation, but will recommend to the Legislature that one be made therefor.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min Foreign Affairs.

1888

Feby 23rd Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

Emerson offers to sell Idols

Min For Affairs reported offer of J Emerson to sell to the Museum certain Idols & other relics of the Ancient Hawaiian times. Agreed that no purchase be made at present. Min Interior suggested a plan for the Amalgamation of the Bishop Collection with that of the Government, involving the construction of a building for that purpose by Mr Bishop, who now talks of building a Museum at the grounds of the Kamehameha Schools. In case of such amalgamation & the construction of a building in town, it is suggested that Mr Brigham of Boston be engaged as Curator. Agreed that Min Interior should correspond with Mr Bishop upon the subject.

Govt and Bishop Collection for Museum

Nowlein and Herring to come home.

Min F.A. reported having notified Messrs Nowlein & Herring that it was intended to recall their daughter & Son respectively, unless they choose to remain abroad at their own expense.

Min Finance reported protest of the

Pilots protest agt the Board of Health regulation
agt Bd of Health preventing them boarding vessels till
the Physicians of the Board can go on
board. Min Interior said that the
matter was no great hardship for
the Pilots, and that it is merely tempo-
rary during the small pox embargo.
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min Foreign Affairs

1888
Feby 24 Finance Office 1:30 P.M. present
Ministers Green, Ashford & Austin.
Parcels Post — The matter of a Parcels Post Convention
with the U.S. was discussed & deferred
for consultation with Minister Interior.
Min Finance reported having written
Letter to Pilots — to Pres^t Board of Health requesting that
No delays of the Port Physician shall
be permitted to interfere with the Pilots
services, due regard being had to the
prevention of introduction of disease
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Feby 25 Finance Office 11 A.M. All present.
Minister of Interior reported opinion
from Judge Hartwell in re ownership of
UNASSIGNED LANDS, also letter from the
Trustees of the Bishop Estate with
Bishop Est proposition to convey to the Govt certain
portions of Honolulu harbor & other
lands in consideration of a Patent
from the Govt for certain specified lands.
Opinions Hartwell & Judd — The opinion of Judge Hartwell, (also
one of the present Chief Justice when he
was Atty General to the same effect)
was submitted, showing the title to the

unassigned lands to be in the Govt.

Unassigned lands Test case

Min Int also submitted draft of a letter to said Trustees in reply, suggesting a suit at the April Term to test the question. Agreed that proceedings be commenced against some holder of a title under the Kamehamehas similar to the Bishop Estate title, for the purpose of testing the Govt title. This for the purpose of avoiding the sentimental defence which might be made against the Govt for attacking the title of a great public benefactor like the Kamehameha Schools.

Coffee Plantation.

Min Int submitted proposal made by W. J. Forsyth for the formation of a Corporation to establish and develop Coffee Culture, with aid from the Govt upon terms mentioned in the proposal. Also draft of a letter in reply offering Govt support of legislation to authorize Govt aid to the amount of $35,000. in three instalments as set forth in said proposition, and remission of certain duties on plant & material for 5 years. Agreed that the Minister send the letter to Mr Forsyth as per the draft read which is approved.

Govt aid to amt $35,000.

Kohala Telephone Co. and Hawaiian Mercantile Co } Charters

Min Int submitted requests to issue Charters as above. Referred to Atty General for inspection of papers.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Aistin

Min For Affairs

1888 Feby 28 — Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present. Minister Finance submitted a letter from Judge Judd urging payment on constitutional grounds of the salaries of the 3 & 4th Associate Justices of the Sup Ct.

Salaries of Judges — Moved by the Min For Affairs that the Min Finance be authorized to pay those Justices, thus treating the restriction in the amended appropriation bill forbidding the payment of those salaries as unconstitutional. Action deferred till tomorrow for conference with some legal members of the house.

Charters of Incorporation — Min Int reported Charters for the Kohala Telephone Co. and Hawaiian Mercantile Co referred back by the Atty General with some amendments and that he should issue them as amended. Agreed to.

Japanese Immigration — Min Int. Introduced discussion of Japanese Immigration with reference to the introduction of further laborers. Agreed the Atty General dissenting, that those now applied for by Planters or who may be applied for up to 800 be ordered, the Government paying for the women only up to the limit of 25 % of the whole number of men. Terms to be the same as the last shipment.

Inter Island Steam Navigation Co's request for the refunding of proportional part of the Schooner Nettie Merrills licence (that vessel having been wrecked) was declined.

$188 & Co ask refund of part of licence fee

The Cabinet adjourned

Jon^a Austin

Min For Affairs

1888 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present
Feby 29th The Atty Genl explains his dissent
from the Japanese Immigration
Japanese policy agreed upon yesterday, as being
Atty Gen explains based upon a desire to see the length of
contract service extended to five years
before any further considerable
number are so introduced, to the
end that the different bodies so
introduced shall not be released to
compete with white labor at so short
successive periods as three years

Judges Salaries In re Judges Salaries. Atty Genl
& Min Int report having conferred with
several legal practitioners who are
of opinion that the Cabinet should de-
cline to pay the Salaries of Judges Bicker-
ton & Dole as having no authority so to do
because of the amended appropriation
bill forbidding such payment. Agreed
that they should not be paid.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 1st Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.
Min Finance reported that Prot Bishop of
Appointments the Board of Education suggested the
to Bd Education appointment of W. W. Hall to a vacancy
now existing in that Board. There being
two vacancies caused by the resignation
of Mess Green and Hidemann it was
agreed that the Minister of Foreign
Affairs be appointed to fill the vacancies.

Min For Affairs reported that he was
Letter to about writing to His Majesty & suggesting
the King that he return to Honolulu to con-
sult upon public affairs.

Agreed that the petition from the Hilo

Catholic Mission for the remission of duties on Musical Instruments for use in Hilo Catholic School be granted.

Judges Salaries

Min Int submitted draft of a letter in reply to the Chief Justice in re Salaries of 3 & 4th Justices of Sup Ct, stating the reasons of the Cabinet why such payment should not be made.

Portuguese Consul Mission Testimony

Min For Af reported that the Portuguese Commissioner had applied to his Govt for permission to testify in re liquor frauds.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 2^d

Liquor Frauds

Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present. Atty Genl submitted form of letter to Macfarlane & Co making demand for $16,929.04 for duties and interest on liquors withdrawn by them without payment of duty during 1884-5-6 & 7 from the Custom House in Honolulu.

Also reported that he was preparing a libel against G. W. Macfarlane & Co and would send a similar letter, and that his proceedings herein had been submitted to Judge Hartwell as Counsel, by whom they were approved.

Letters Agreed to.

Judges Salaries

Letter of Chief Justice to Min Finance of this date in reply to that of Min Finance in re Salaries of 3 & 4th Associate Justices was read, again urging the payment of such salaries. Agreed that a reply should be sent adhering to our former refusal to pay them now, but that the Cabinet would recommend to the Legislature an appropriation for their back salaries. Dft of reply to be ex b

mitted by Min Int tomorrow.
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 3rd Finance Office 11 A.M. All present
Min F.A. read letter from H Mc Chamberlain
Return of Bush & wife $300 p^d by King asks reund asking that passage money of J E Bush and wife from Samoa, advanced by the King be refunded. To be investigated by Min F.A. & if Bush did not decline to obey orders & return, the amount ($300.) to be p^d to the Chamberlain.
Min Int submitted draft of letter by Min Finance to Chf Justice re Salaries 3 & 4th Associate Justices. Draft agreed to.
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 5th Finance Office 1.30 PM All present
Min For Affairs reported no reply on file from J E Bush to letter of recall from Samoa, also correspondence bet Capt Jackson & Bush wherein Bush declines passage for himself & wife & child on the Kaimiloa. Agreed that Min F.A. reply to the Chamberlain citing these facts & declining to pay the homeward passage of Bush & wife.
Bush pass p^d by H.M.
Guns for Kailua Min F.A. reported that Gov Dominis had a letter from H M asking that a battery of 4 Australian Guns now on board of the Kaimiloa be sent to Kailua for Saluting purposes. Agreed that the Cabinet refuse its assent to this project, and that Min F.A. so inform Gov Dominis.

Min F.A. reported that Mr Theo H Davies requested an informal letter from him to the effect that he (Davies) will be appointed Consul General at London so that he may be apprised of that intent before resigning his Office of British Vice Consul. Agreed that the Min F A should await the arrival and approved concurrence of H.M. before so writing to Mr D.

T H Davies

Consul at Lisbon

In re Consul at Lisbon moved and carried that a nomination be submitted to H M on his return

Kaimiloa

Min Interior suggested the appointment of a commission to appraise the Kaimiloa with a view to offering her at such appraisal as upset price, At Auction. Agreed to, Min Int to appoint the Comm.

W S Luce Liquor Licens

Min Int reported interview with W.S. Luce & his 3 Attorneys in re renewal of liquor license, and that he had declined to renew the License. Approved.

The Cabinet Adjourned

Jos Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 6th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present Ministers Green. Thurston & Austin.

Re Judges Salaries

Min Finance read letter from the Chief Justice in re Judges Salaries, stating inter alia that in his judgment relations of amity and mutual confidence should exist between the Court & the Cabinet, also that the object of the Correspondence had failed. Decided that the letter needs no reply.

W.S. Luce JA

Min Interior read letter from Messrs Hartwell, Hatch and Whiting, Counsel for W.S. Luce, asking that Charge of Forgery be brought against Luce and license granted him pending the

trial of the case. Agreed not to grant such License.

Electric Light Wheel — Min Interior reported the arrival by SS Australia, yesterday, of the Electric Light Turbine Wheel.

The Cabinet Adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 7th — Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present. Ministers Green, Thurston, & Austin

District Judges — General discussion on appointments for District Judgeships. Min F.A. presented letters from various parties to Judge Judd in re Judgeship of Makawao, and stated that Commissions will expire in Makawao, Molokai, and North Hilo April 1st. in Waialua Oahu May 1st and in Koloa Kauai June 2d.

London Loan Legal Opinion — Min Finance read letter from Col Griffin of London re Loan Matters, enclosing legal opinion as to the rights of the Government. Min F.A. also read 2 letters from Col Griffin.

Min Finance also read letter and statement a/c from Mattheson & Co

Mattheson & Co letter re interest — in re payment of £6000. interest on our bonds.

The Cabinet then Adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 8th — Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

Great Britain & Portugal — Min F.A. reported interviews with the Commissioners of Great Britain and Portugal in re their willingness to evidence off testify what they know about the Liquor Frauds. Each of them expressed his willingness to make deposition at

his own house in presence of any Court Officials or Counsel and Defendt. & but not to testify in open Court.

W.S. Luce appn of British Commission

Also that the British Comr had a letter from W.S. Luce as a British subject complaining that he was arbitrarily refused a license without even a hearing

Min F.A. to reply setting forth the facts as they exist.

Luce and Macfarlanes Conspiracy

Atty General reported intention to prosecute Luce & the Macfarlanes for Conspiracy in re liquor frauds, the opinion of Judge Hartwell to the contrary notwithstanding.

English Locomotive

Min Interior reported a proposition of G.N. Macfarlane & Co to sell locomotive now in use for $2,000. provided the Govt will remit $240. paid as duties on it, or that sum on another engine to be imported by them. Agreed that $2,240. should be asked for in the appropriation bill for that purpose and no duties remitted.

Roads

Min Interior reported intention to secure if possible, men to work on the roads after the expiration of this biennial period upon contract to pay them nothing till appropriations are made.

The Cabinet then Adjourned

Jon.a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 15th Finance Office 11 A.M.

Min For Affairs presented a letter from His Majesty, upon various subjects.

Letter from His Majesty

Agreed that the Minister should submit draft of reply to the Cabinet on Monday.

The Cabinet ~~Agreed that the~~

T.H. Davies

Min F.A. should see Mr T.H. Davies and state that personal objection is made

to him by the King, but that the Cabinet adhere.
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 12th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.
Minister of Interior submitted application
J R Lucas of J.R. Lucas for Spirit Jobbing license in
Spirit License the stand lately occupied by W. S. Luce
Agreed that Min Int should request a
sworn statement from Mr Lucas
as to who are his partners, or who are
interested as proprietors in the business.
When the application shall be further
considered.
Keystone Min Int reported & read draft of a letter
License refused to G. W. Macfarlane & Co finally refusing
a license for the Keystone Saloon, on the
grounds set forth in Legislative recom-
mendation of Dec 3d. Agreed that licenses
Licenses to should be refused in cases where dealers
be refused used orders from the King or any Diplo-
mat to pay the debts of 3d parties
Suits to be Atty Gen reported that he moved
brought vs commence suits against G. W. Macfarlane
G W Macfarlane & Co & Macfarlane & Co. Also W. S. Luce for
Macfarlane & Co ~~liquors~~ duties unpaid on liquor with-
& W S Luce drawn from bond as per above recom-
mendation.
Atty General also reported that the Sup
Removal of Court had removed Mr Z Kalai from
Z Kalai the Office of District Justice of N Kohala.
and presented letters from various
citizens of Kohala recommending for
appointment to that position R. H. Atkins
Agreed that the Cabinet should
Nomination nominate Mr Atkins to the Chief Jus-
of R H Atkins tice for such appointment.
J P of N Kohala Min For Af. reported having refused

Battery for Kailua — assent to the removal of a battery to Kailua, and submitted draft of his reply to letter of His Majesty dated March 8th from Kailua, in which His Majesty refers

Reply to His Majesty — is requested to return to Honolulu by the W G Hall. Agreed to.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min F. A.

1888

March 19th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present Ministers Green, Ashford and Austin, Mr Thurston being laid up with toothache. The absence of Mr Thurston on Molokai since the meeting on the 12th inst, and the Attorney General being busy with the Liquor prosecutions, are the reasons why no Cabinet meeting has been held since that date.

Accounting for interval in Meetings

Lovell Youth abroad — Min For Af. reported the receipt of a letter with an unsatisfactory specimen of drawing from Mr Lovell, now being educated at the Risdon Iron Works in San Francisco, at Government expense. Also reported letter from Consul General McKinley in re Small Pox in San Francisco.

Small Pox in San Francisco

Henry Grubes Marchant — Min Finance presented letter and samples of engraving by Mr H. G. Marchant now in Boston at Government expense, both satisfactory & the work much admired.

Prosecution re liquor frauds — Atty Genl reported the pendency of prosecutions begun on the 13th inst against G. H. Macfarlane, F H Hayselden and H. S. Luce for Liquor Frauds. Examination before the Chief Justice as Committing Magistrate not yet completed.

Licence Keystone Saloon appr of H R Chilton — Attorney General reported for Min Interior application of H R Chilton for Spirit licence for the Keystone Saloon. Also that Minister

of the Interior was opposed to granting a license there for two reasons. 1st. that the existence there of a spirit license had up to this time given the premises a fictitious value, and prevented the purchase by the Government at a fair price of a right of way to widen Fort Street 2d that the petition presented some weeks ago, requesting no renewal of the Keystone license showed a strong local sentiment against permitting a spirit shop to exist in that locality. There being no pretense of vested rights in Mr Chillons favor, it was agreed that the Cabinet favor the refusal of the application.

in re Keystone Licence

Estimates of Household Expts

Min Finance submitted estimates by H. M. Chamberlain, of the amount required for the Kings expenses for the ensuing period.

Civil List Appropriation

Min F.A. submitted some suggestions in re the Kings salary, and the idea was discussed of a rider to the civil list appropriation placing a discretionary power in the Cabinet to suspend or resume payments thereunder as circumstances may warrant

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888
March 21

Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present except Minister of Foreign Affairs who is at the Palace.

Steam Tugs Appropriation

Minister of Finance reported the appropriation for Steam Tugs &c exhausted, Agreed to ask for meeting of Privy Council to authorize further payments. Arrangements to that end to be

made at the Cabinet Council tomorrow.

Road tax of Honolulu to be kept apart

Agreed that Road tax money for Honolulu as well as for other Districts should be placed as a special deposit, to be kept in a safe separate & apart from the other deposits & funds of the Government.

The Cabinet then adjourned. Minutes furnished by the Attorney General

Jos. Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
March 23

Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present.

London Representations

Min For af reported interview with His Majesty this morning in re Appointment of Theo H Davies Consul General at London and the recall of Messrs Hoffnung and Armstrong. His Majesty requested that no step be taken till he shall write concerning it from Kailua. Agreed that Min F.A. shall inform himself as to his authority to recall diplomatic representatives & appoint & recall Consular representatives and report to the Cabinet later.

Privy Council called

Agreed that a meeting of the Privy Council shall be called to take place at the Foreign Office May 29th at 11 A.M. to consider the expenditure appropriation for running expenses of State Dept. under Art 15 of the Constitution.

Unassigned Lands

Min Interior reported interview with Charles R Bishop in re Compromise of the Government claim to unassigned lands, and that he (the Minister) had taken the ground that the Ministers could not now assume the responsibility of so compromising.

Min Finance reported objection of Brown & Co to payment of storage on liquor

Storage on liquor carted from one vessel to another but not stored

which had not been stored but merely carted from one vessel to another in the harbor, Agreed that Min Finance should consult with the Collector General with a view to altering the rule if found right to do so.

Ammunition to be removed to Powder Magazine

In re Munitions, Powder &c at the Barracks, agreed that Min For Af- should complete arrangements for the removal of these articles from the Palace and Barracks to the Powder Magazine on Punchbowl.

Honolulu Rifles bill of H S Trigloan

Min For Af- reported final bill from Trigloan for Honolulu Rifles, uniforms &c to amount of $559.21. Agreed that it be paid.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos. Austin
Min For Affairs

1888

March 26

Finance Office 1.30 PM All present

Governor of Hawaii & Sheriff Hitchcock

Min Finance read letters from D H Hitchcock & C Furneaux, stating that the Governor of Hawaii refuses to sign the Commission of E G Hitchcock as Sheriff of Hawaii, and that J. H. Nawahi is trying to make trouble

Letter to the King

Agreed that Min For Affairs should write to His Majesty that said Governor is acting badly, and that it is the opinion of the Cabinet that if this obstruction of Justice continues it will be necessary to ask for her resignation.

Governor of Maui Taxbooks

Min Finance also reported that the Governor of Maui has not turned in the tax books of his Districts altho' he agreed to do so. Agreed that the Auditor General should summon

him to come & show cause for the delay
The Cabinet then adjourned.
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888
March 27 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
Letter to the King — Min For Affairs reported writing to His Majesty by the Kinau, stating inter alia the complaint that the Governor of Hawaii refused to sign Commission for Sheriff of Hawaii (E. G. Hitchcock).
J. S. Webb re pardon — Atty General reported having seen J. S. Webb at the jail in reference to his petition for a pardon. Also a letter from Mr Webb of this date referring to Foreign Office Accounts during his employment there which letter was referred to the Min F.A. to investigate the condition
Foreign Dept accounts — of the accounts of his Office with a
estate of W M Gibson — view to learning whether any demand may be made upon the estate of Mr Gibson for amount due & unpaid.
German Doctors re lepers — Min Interior reported negociations with certain German Physicians as to treatment of lepers, and that Dr Unna of Hamburg has recommended that Dr Lutz (now in Brazil) be secured to treat lepers in Hawaii. Also that the Bd of Health is in correspondence with Dr Lutz and Dr Arning as to their coming here for that purpose. Also that
House for Women lepers — the preparation of a house for women at the Molokai settlement is being canvassed & that it would involve a large expense including the securing of Sisters of Charity
Estimates Bd of Health — to conduct it. Also that the estimated expenses of the Bd of Health for the coming period will be greatly in excess of those

of the present period, that upon figures now at hand $364,000. will be required if the Government Physicians are to be retained at present rates of compensation

Government Physicians — The sentiment of the Cabinet is that the expense of Physicians shall be curtailed.

Electric Light — Min Int also reported perfect success of the new Electric Light. Also that Capt Faulkner would soon canvass for subscribers for incandescent lights at say 4 cents each per night.

Additional Water power — Also that it is claimed that by boring one or two new Artesian Wells sufficient additional power can be secured. Minister explained the plan in detail.

Molokai Water Pipes — Also that Molokai water pipes will probably be laid by April 14th, after which the reservoir will be completed by a smaller force. As the present period will lapse before the work is finished it was agreed that the appropriation for that work cannot be "availed of" to meet the balance of the expense of that work.

Steam Tug Elen — In re Steam Tug Elen Min Interior reported the crew having abandoned her for want of money to pay them, and that if money is not soon provided the Tug will be laid up. Agreed to await the Meeting of the Privy Council on the 29th inst, and their action herein.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin,
Min For Affairs.

1888 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

March 28 Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Accounts in re W M Gibson

Min F. A. reported that the only personal a/c with Mr Gibson in the Foreign Office books is closed on March 15 1886, and shows a balance owing by him of $32. i.e. Debit $39 & Credit $7.

Also that he is investigating the accounts of the Office with a view to learning whether any claim exists against the Estate of Mr Gibson.

in re Recall of Charge d'Af- fairs & Consul General at London

Min F.A. also reported that he does not feel satisfied of his Ministerial power to recall or remove the Chargé d'Affaires or Consul General at London. & that in it would be necessary to require the King to authorize any order of recall or removal of such officer or officers.

Consul General San Francisco Salary of

Also in re Consul General in San Francisco. That any salary for this Office is by law (Comp Laws §444.) required to be fixed by the King, and cannot be paid without appropriation by the Legislature, Also that he is of opinion that no change in the incumbency or compensation of that office should be made during the present Session of the U.S. Congress in order to avoid any hostility of Congressman McKinley to Hawaiian Tariff interests.

Resolution Privy Council re Steam Tug

Min Interior submitted draft of Resolution to be proposed to Privy Council tomorrow in re authority to pay running expenses of the Steam Tug Elele, adopted with its preamble & agreed that it be so submitted.

The Cabinet then Adjourned.

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1888 Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present
March 30th Minutes of meeting 28th inst read & approved

Atty General opinion in re Road Taxes

Atty General reported having given to the Auditor General at his request a written opinion to the effect that the Road Taxes are special deposits in the Treasury and may be legally paid out without the approval or intervention of the Auditor General.

Keystone Saloon in re W R Chilton's refusal of licence re-confirmed

Min Interior submitted letter from Mr Cecil Brown asking for re-consideration of refusal to grant licence to W.R. Chilton for the Keystone Saloon. It was unanimously agreed to abide by the former decision, and decline to grant the licence.

A S Hartwell fees vs Bishop Unassigned lands

Min Int submitted letter from Hon A.S. Hartwell in re an agreement in advance as to fees to be paid him (in addition of retainer of $250. already paid) for services in Min Int vs Bishop Trustees as to unassigned lands. Agreed that reply should be sent to the effect that the Cabinet do not feel that we should at the present stage of this case bind the Government to the payment of any specific sum further than that already paid.

Steam Tug proposition to give certificates of wages pending new appropriation

In re Steam Tug Elen agreed that Min Int ascertain whether he can secure the continued service of the officers & crew by giving them certificates of indebtedness for their work pending a new appropriation.

Gibson a/cs

Min F.A. reported progress in re examination of accounts of Mr Gibson with the Foreign Office.

No of Troops

Also that 69 men were on the roll of Kings Guards last month. & that this number will be reduced somewhat.

Chinese return passports — Min F.A. also reported that only one Chinese return passport has been issued since the present law came in force March 1st

Budget — Cabinet fixed Friday forenoon April 6th to consider the Budget.

Melbourne Exhibition — In re Melbourne Exhibition in August 1888 Min Int reported offer of J J Williams to prepare and send to that exhibition representative photographs of Hawaiian Scenery &c. upon payment by the Government of half the cost. Also as to Government support of the "Paradise of the Pacific" newspaper for gratuitous distribution. Mr Williams is to submit written proposition in re these matters.

Paradise of the Pacific

Col Griffin re Armstrong — Agreed that Min Finance instruct Col Griffin of London to take no further steps at present, in the claim of the Hawaiian Government vs H.R. Armstrong in re "Loan".

Parcels Post Convention — Min F.A. reported having drafted a Convention with the U.S. for a Parcels Post, & his intention to draft bill for such legislation as will be required to carry it into effect.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888

April 2nd — Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present Ministers Green Ashford and Austin. Minister Thurston being indisposed.

Did Jus. for North Hilo — Minutes of 30th ult read and approved.

Min Finance reported recommendation from D.H. Hitchcock of E.H. Barnard for Dist Justice of N Hilo, & it was stated that E.G. Hitchcock & Judge Lyman also favor Mr Barnard deferred till full Cabinet present.

Also recommendation of several Hamakua

Tax Assessor Hamakua — people of J.R. Mills as Tax Assessor for that District in 1888. Deferred.

Chung Sung appn to purchase forfeited Opium — Min Finance reports application of Chung Sung to purchase 462 tins of Opium now in the Custom House which has been seized and forfeited. Offers $3. per tin. Decision deferred till full Cabinet present.

Gas Launch for Custom House — Also suggestion of Collector General to buy a Gasoline Launch now for sale to use as a C.H. Guard Boat. Discussed & deferred.

Letter to His Majesty — Min F.A. reports that he is writing acknowledgment of His Majesty's letter of Mar 29th

Dist Justice of Makawao Goodale Armstrong — In re District Justice for Makawao. Atty General reports having learned that Mr Goodale Armstrong heretofore nominated for appointment to this Office, cannot speak or understand the Hawaiian Language as demanded by statute. Agreed that the Chief Justice be requested to suspend action till we can canvass the District by letter as to the fitness of Charles Chas Copp — Copp or some other substitute for Mr Armstrong for that position.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1888

April 6 — Finance Office 1.30 PM present Ministers Green Thurston & Austin

Opium not to Sell — Min Finance reported that he had declined to sell opium to Chun Sung

Budget &c — Min Finance also reported that he had made estimates of probable receipts for next two years. Agreed to consider Appropriation bill tomorrow

Gas Launch for C.H. — In re Gasoline Launch. it was agreed not to purchase at present.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon Austin Min For Affairs

1888 Finance Office 1-30 PM All present.
April 6th The Budget for the current period was discussed. The first drafts of estimates
Budget show probable receipts to be $2,436,000.
and Estimated Expenses 3,098,000.
Deficit $ 662,000.

Min Int reported the following items for proposed public improvements in the estimates, outside of actual running expenses.

Items for Loan	Addition to Custom House	12,000.
	Kerosene Warehouse	7,000.
	Govt Storehouse & workshop	8,000.
	New Market Esplanade	25,000.
	Honolulu Water Works	60,000.
	Wailuku " "	10,000
	Road damages	93,000.
	Punchbowl Road	10,000.
	Nuuanu Pali Road	45,000.
	Electric Light Plant (new)	40,000.
	Honolulu Wharves &c	40,000.
	Wailua Bridge, Kauai.	12,000.
		$ 362,000.

Concerning which a loan might be asked for.

Stone break — Min Int reported the introduction of new Machinery at the Stone Quarry which will reduce the expense of producing McAdam about 15%, and that the old stone
Roller & break to go to Hilo — Crusher or roller will be sent to Hilo next week. Expense of Govt Physicians was discussed and reductions proposed.
Foreign Off estimates — Min F.A. reported his estimates with a total of $183,544.28 required

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

The above amount estimated for expenses is composed of the following

items i.e.

Civil List		74,400.
Permanent Settlements		2,400.
Legislature and Privy Council		30,300.
Finance Dept		
Debt	35,100.	
Interest	264,000.	
Salaries	132,600.	
Subsidy	72,000.	588,700.
Custom House	85,000.	
Judiciary		175,800.
Education		182,420.
Board of Health.		350,000.
Atty General		272,661,50
Foreign Office		183,544,28
Interior Dept		1,237,916.29
		$ 3,098,142.07

Jon^n Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1888

April 9th Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present.

Dist Justices of Makawao & North Hilo — In re District Justice of Makawao Agreed to nominate Charles Copp. In re District Justice of North Hilo Agreed to nominate E. W. Barnard.

Sheriff of Hawaii Com^n Signed — Attorney General reported Commission of E. H. Hitchcock Sheriff of Hawaii signed by the Governor of Hawaii, approved by the Atty Genl & returned to the Governor

Liquor suits Demurrer — Also that the Demurrers in the Civil suits for liquor duties had been sustained and that he should appeal from the decision.

Consular Charges at Frisco — Min For Affairs reported correspondence with Mr Carter Minister at Washington in re Complaints of excessive charges made at the Hawaiian Consulate in San Francisco for Consular Certificates. Also from Consul at Sydney in re

Tonnage Consular dues — Consular port charges upon Steamers of the Oceanic Line, as to whether they should be levied upon Gross or registered tonnage. Minister F. A. authorized to investigate and act upon his discretion in these matters.

Coin Dies Cancellation — Also letter from Mr Carter in re cancellation of dies from which Hawaiian silver coins were struck in 1883. Agreed that Min For Affairs should direct Mr Carter to make such cancellation and send the cancelled dies to Honolulu.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1888

April 10th. Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present. Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Min For Affairs reported having returned the official call of Capt Schoonmaker new Commander of the U.S.F.S Vandalia today at 11 A.M.

Additions to Estimated receipts. $ 35000 " 14.000 — Min Finance reported addition of $35,000. to the Estimates from the Dept of For Affairs, not previously included. Min Interior reported additional estimated receipts from Office of the Registrar of Conveyances. $14,000. not previously included.

Jap Labourers — Also that he has letter from R W Irwin of Tokio to the effect that the Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs had refused to permit the shipment of any more Japanese labourers unless their passage (viz exclusive of $25. each) should be paid, but that he Irwin was trying to get the Minister to recede from the position & would telegraph the result in time for the next mail from the Coast. Also that a ship is daily

R W Irwin

Portuguese coming. — expected with Portuguese immigrants. and that in his opinion we are not at liberty to pay their passage and other expenses because of the appropriation having lapsed, It was discussed at some length as to whether the loan appropriation was available for this purpose.

Bishop & Co Note of Crown Com^ns on behalf of His Majesty — Min Finance reported complaint from Fred Macfarlane for Bishop & Co. that the Chamberlain neglects to pay a note given by the Commissioners of Crown Lands on behalf of the King.

Auditor Genl — The Matter of the Audit Act was discussed at some length and the sentiment of the Cabinet is favorable to the abolition of the Office of Auditor Genl

Estimates for Privy Purse — In re Civil list. Min Finance reported Estimates submitted by H M^s Chamberlain showing $50.000 required for the Kings Privy Purse.

Pacific Cable — Pacific Cable, the desirability of securing such a Cable was discussed. and the Atty Genl reported contract with Audley Coote not yet signed.

Ocean Mail Subsidy — Agreed that Min Interior should interview W G Irwin Agent of O.S.S Co in re reduction of subsidy or increase of Mail accommodation.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1888
April 13th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Melbourne International exhibition — Min F.A. read letter from Mr J.J. Williams proposing to furnish for exhibition at the International exhi-

bitional Melbourne next August, Photographic views of Hawaiian Life, Scenery Volcanoes etc. 500 views 7×9 in in 10 Albums of 50 each for $25. per Album, and 50 views 22×28 in with Mats for $3. ea. Total proposed expense $400. Agreed that Min F.A. should reply that the Cabinet will recommend to the Legislature that the Offer be accepted.

Photographs for Exhibition to recommend to Legislature

Min Interior reported the arrival of the Ship Thomas Bell with about 400 Portuguese immigrants, including 119 men. Also that there is prospect of a disagreement with the Agents G.W. Macfarlane & Co in re the excess of the number of children in the party. Pending further investigation by the Minister of the terms of the contract in this behalf the Cabinet adjourned to 4 P.M.

The Cabinet did not meet again

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
April 17th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

Minutes of the 13th read and approved.

Melbourne Exhibition Letter to Wm J Williams

Min F.A. reported having written to J J Williams as per Agreement of Cabinet at last meeting.

Also read letter of resignation of Lt Col W W Ashford of his Commission as commander of the Honolulu Rifles. Agreed that Min F.A. write to him accepting the resignation.

Resignation of Lt Col Ashford

Also read project of a circular to Consuls and others interested in Telegraph Cables asking information in re cost, quality, profits &c, with expense of construction and maintenance of Ocean Cables. This with a view to submitting all available knowledge

Circular about Ocean Telegraphs

on the subject to the Legislature & of being posted in view of future negociations for Cables.

Cable Contract with Mr Audley Coote

Atty Genl submitted & read draft of Contract with Hon Audley Coote in re Telegraph Cables as per Act of the Session of 1887. Agreed that the draft represents the views of the Cabinet and that it be submitted to Mr J. R. Walker who is acting for Mr Coote in the premises

Return of His Majesty

Min F.A. reported return of the King from Kailua & that he proposes to go to Kailua again on the 24th inst.

C R Bishop offer to build Womens houses at Molokai Leper Settlemt

Min of Interior submitted letter from Hon C.R. Bishop containing an offer to supply houses for the especial use & occupancy of women and girls who are without family protectors at the Molokai Leper Settlement, not to exceed in expense the sum of $5000. Agreed that the Cabinet recommend acceptance of the offer by the Board of Health.

Portuguese per Thos Bell

Min Interior reported the present status of the Portuguese immigrants per "Thomas Bell" Minister had failed to agree with the Agents of the ship as to whether the shipment is in conformity with the order for immigrants. The immigrants have been landed at the Immigration Depot under agreement that landing should should not prejudice rights of either party. That investigation shows that the immigrants do not comply with the terms of the contract, but that the proportion of men over 30 yrs old, Women & children & minor non-contracted labourers was so large as to look like an attempt to swindle the Government.

Minister submitted draft of letter

sent to G. W. Macfarlane & Co the agents of the vessel in accordance with resolution of the Board of Immigration refusing on account of such nonconformity to ~~[illegible]~~ accept the immigrants, but offering without prejudice, to accept certain of them who comply with the contract. On Motion Agreed that action of Minister Interior & Board of Immigration is approved.

Budget & Public Improvements

Minister Interior suggested submitting to the Legislature a Budget showing only the prospective revenues and the necessary running expenses of the Government, and a separate bill making appropriations for Public improvements against which Loans from the Postal Savings Bank & other sources could be used.

Judiciary Estimates

Min Finance reported letter from the Chief Justice stating that upon consideration he was unable to make any considerable reduction in his estimates for the Judiciary Department.

Punchbowl Crest road

Min Int reported completion of plans for a road to Punchbowl Hill which can be built for $19,300.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
April 18 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present Ministers Green Thurston & Austin.

Resignations Capt Fisher Lieut Meyers Hon Rifles

Min F. A. reported resignations of Capt Fisher and Lieut Meyers of Co C Honolulu Rifles. Agreed that Min F. A. should accept the resignations

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present Ministers
April 20th Green, Thurston & Austin

Resignations in Hon Rifles — Min F.A. reported having accepted the resignations of Col Ashford Capt Fisher and Lieut Meyers as ag[redacted] by the Cabinet.

Consul Gen at Lisbon — Also that the King had appointed as Consul General at Lisbon Mr Anton de Serpa

His Majesty goings to Kailua — Also that His Majesty expects to leave for Kailua on Tuesday for an indefinite time

$200,000. Loan entries — Min Finance Explained the manner of entries of the English Loan making the price of Sterling $4.90 per pound a fair average the amount being $980,000. proposed entries agreed to.

Inquiry as to Cost &c of suit vs Armstrong — Min Interior suggested writing to Col Griffin to ascertain the cost of bringing suit, fees costs &c. agt Armstrong & whether Armstrong could respond in damages, Agreed to write next mail for it. & also by whom suit should be brought & what authority, evidence will be needed.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For. Affairs.

1888
May 2^d Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

Jap laborers coming May 20th — Minutes of Apl 20th read and approved Min Int reported telegram by the Australia yesterday from R W Irwin stating that the Steamer with Japanese Immigrants will sail for Honolulu May 20th

W.B. Luce applies for liquor license — Also that Mr W.B. Luce has applied for liquor jobbing license, he advocated the granting of such license now that Mr Luce has been acquitted of the charge of con-

spiracy brought against him. Atty General suggested that the Govt has a claim against Mr Luce for $10,000, unpaid duties which he refuses to pay, and that it would be unwise to depart from our former course of following the resolution of the Legislature in the matter of issuing this license.

Answer to W. S. Luce

Min Int moved that Mr Luce be informed that such license will be issued upon his payment of such duties as he has heretofore had illegally remitted to him, upon orders of the King or Foreign Diplomatic representatives. Carried.

Herring a Youth abroad passage from to be paid

In re. Young Herring at Turin Italy Min For Af reports having told his father of the policy adopted of recalling this young man, but in view of the desire of the father to keep him a year longer in Italy at his own expense it was agreed that the Min F A be authorized to instruct the Consul at Rome to pay Herrings bills to date, and give him sufficient money to pay his expenses from Italy to Honolulu, he to come home when he gets ready.

Mrs Nowlein to await escort of Bishop Willis

Min For Af reported that Mr Nowlein had asked leave for his daughter to remain over in England at her own expense to await the escort of Bishop Willis & wife & that the Min had agreed thereto.

Lepers sent to Molokai

Min Int reported that 367 lepers had been sent to Molokai since July 18th 1887. Also that the Board of Health has in view the construction of a receiving hospital for lepers on Oahu at some distance from Honolulu, and has appointed a committee to look for a location. Agreed to meet tomorrow at 10 A M on Budget.

Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888 Finance Office, 10 A.M. All present
May 4th Did not meet yesterday. Considering
the Budget, & cutting down where this
Budget practicable, recess to 1-30 P.M. same
work continued till 3-30 & adjd to
tomorrow at 10 A.M.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
May 7 Finance office 11 A.M. All present
Did not meet May 4th

Resignations of Capt C W Ashford & 2d Lt A W Carter Hon Rifles

Min For Affairs presents the resignations of Capt C. W. Ashford & 2d Lieut A W Carter of Co D Honolulu Rifles, Agreed that they be accepted. Minister of Finance presented letter from Mr Godfrey Brown and one from A. J. Cleghorn Collector General in re the removal of the Bell Telephone from the Surveyors Office, Agreed that Government Offices ought to have both telephones, and that Mr Cleghorn ought to be able to keep discipline among the employees of his Office.

Telephones at the Custom House.

Budget Working on the Budget, Adjourned at 4 P.M.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
May 8th Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present
Min Interior reported all the appropria-
tion for Kalaupapa Water works expended
during the last period, and that he
was completing it as an "Expense of the
Leper Settlement," but that the Auditor
General refuses to audit any bills
for the laying of pipes outside of the origi-
nal appropriation, It was agreed that
it is a Legitimate Expense of the Leper

Water Works Kalaupapa

Audit of bills

Settlement and payable properly from that appropriation.

Budget — Worked through the Budget and left corrections and footings till tomorrow.

Adjourned at 3-45 P.M.

Jos. Austin
Min For Affairs

1888

May 19th — Finance Office 10-30 A.M. All present

Chief Justice & Judiciary Estimates — His Honor the Chief Justice met the Cabinet to discuss certain proposed changes in the Estimates submitted for the Judiciary. After some explanations of details the Cabinet & the Chief Justice agreed upon figures for all of the items.

W.C. Parke in re offts in Macfarlane Case — Min For Affairs reported a conversation with Mr W.C. Parke about reports which have been made that he had made especial efforts to secure affidavits in re Upsetting the verdict vs Geo W Macfarlane for conspiracy. Mr Parke denies the truth of such reports.

Budget — Min Interior submitted revised estimates for his Department as follows.

For Necessary running expenses for period $1,017,681.90
Desirable permanent imprvts for which loan shall be asked. $
The former includes Board of Health except pay of Physicians & Expense of changing Branch Hospital from Kakaako.

Summary — The Summary of All Depts is as follows,

Interior & Immigration	$736,752.90
Finance	627,800.—
Foreign Affairs	178,000.—
Judiciary	179,100.—
Education	182,420.—
Forward	$1,904,072.90

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Attorney General	260,360.—
Board of Health (including Physi	310,929.—
Civil List	76,800.—
Permanent Settlements	6,000.—
Legislature & Privy Council	25,300.—
Total	$2,583,461.90
Estimated Receipts	2,513,912.29
Deficit	$69,549.61

Recess to 1-30 P.M.

On resuming Min Finance submitted revised estimates of receipts from Internal taxes &c. aggregating $752,000.— Min Int submitted list of projected Public Imports aggregating $543,468.14 from which it is proposed to deduct cost of Nuuanu Pali Road $45,000.

Hilo Water Works ?	12,000
Kerosene Warehouse ?	7,00

Min For Af proposes to insert $400. for Photographs to exhibit at the Australian Exhibition in August. (See Minutes of April 13th page 50 this book)

Hand Book by Blanchard

Mr Blanchard makes proposition to publish a Hand Book of Hawaii asks the Govt to subscribe for 1000 copies at $5. each. referred to the Atty Genl to make enquiries as to cost of such publications.

S.S. Subsidy

Min Interior to make enquiry of W.G. Irwin in re reduction of S.S. Subsidy

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888

May 14th

Stolen Passports

Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present Collector General Bleghorn was also present and reported that of the Chinese who arrived by the "City of Peking" on the 12th inst 40 had presented passports which had previously

been used for entry at this port, showing conclusively that some Clerk or Clerks of that Bureau have been guilty of stealing such documents after their deposit in the C. H. and trafficing therein. To be investigated

Tenders for Printing FO Report.

Min For Affairs reported tenders for printing his Report, of which the Pacific Commercial Advertizer was the lowest i.e. English $2.40 Hawaiian $2.20. Agreed that same be accepted.

Matthieson & Co. to Armstrong

Min Finance submitted correspondence from Mess Matthieson & Co. in re status of a/c p/d to Armstrong between that firm & this Govt alleging that they had paid over to Mr Armstrong the balance of the former interest account (£700) and would hereafter decline to carry out their former offer to pay the interest on our bonds for 1% such offer being a clerical error, and that they will hereafter charge 2½% on such payments. Surprise was expressed both at the payment to Armstrong in the absence of any authority to Matthieson & Co to pay or to Armstrong to receive the said £700. And at the claim of M & Co that a clear agreement was a clerical error.

Change in terms for payment of Coupons int 1% to 2½%

Letter about mining

T. H. Davies

Min For Affairs read letter from S. B. F. Hoff-ning stating that he had received a letter from H. M's Consul General in London remonstrating on the action of Mr T. H. Davies in Honolulu. and stating the fact that Mr Davies in the précis of his interview with the Min For Affairs. states that the Min F A informed him of the decision of the Cabinet to abolish the Hawaiian Legation in London, to remove Mr Armstrong and to appoint him (Mr Davies) in Mr Armstrong's place

précis to Mr Armstrong

and that an investigation of Mr Davies having been concerned in a negociation to this end while holding the office of British Vice Consul at Honolulu was pending in the British Foreign Office.

Davies action discussed

The action of Mr Davies in thus communicating to others the facts in this connection which were given to him in confidence, was discussed with disapproval, and it was agreed to ask an explanation from Mr Davies.

Custom House dissatisfaction

The unsatisfactory condition at the Custom House was discussed but no action taken.

Removal of Ammunition

Min Int brought up the project of removing from the Palace & Barracks the Munitions of War not wanted there including the Austrian Battery &c &c. Agreed that the Secretary of War take the proper steps through appropriate channels to secure the removal from the Palace and Barracks of all munitions of War not in use or needed by the Kings Guard and especially the ammunition for use in the Battery of Austrian Guns & the disabling of said Battery.

Arms from the Kaimiloa

Min Int reported the removal of the arms from the Kaimiloa and their storage in the Govt Warehouse on the Esplanade.

Sale of the Kaimiloa

Also sale to day of the Kaimiloa for $2800.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888

May 15th

Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

Removal of Munitions of War

Min For Affairs reported that after examining the law upon the subject he was satisfied that he had no authority to cause the removal of the

rescinded,

Munitions of War as per resolution of the Cabinet yesterday. Also that he had had an interview with Governor Dominis in reference to this matter who stated his belief that all control in this regard rested in himself as Governor of Oahu. Min For Affairs moved that yesterdays resolution as to this matter be rescinded. Carried.

Military bill — Min F.A. stated that he would soon submit a draft of a Military bill. Also that Gov Dominis had informed him

Kings Guard — that the men of the Kings Guard had been enlisted in November 1886 for two years.

J.R. Walker & J.H. Davies — Also that he had had an interview with Mr J.R. Walker in re the matter of J.H. Davies in London. & told Mr Walker the substance of the letter from Hoffnung. and authorized Walker to write Davies on the subject.

Short water Supply — Min Int reported that the Waiau supply in Nuuanu Valley was running short and that of arc lights had to be shut off in consequence. That expense of $7000.

New Reservoirs — would be necessary to build new reservoirs to abate this danger. Agreed that Minister be authorized to call for tenders for construction of such reservoirs, the contractor to await the appropriation bill for his pay.

P.S. & S.Co proposal on Chinese Registration — Atty General submitted draft of a circular proposed by the P.S. and S.Co to be sent to planters in re the Chinese question. The substance of this proposal is to establish a system of Internal Passports & registration of all classes of residents, thus aiding in the enforcement of the vagrant and tax laws, and keeping the rats

of labor at reasonable figures.

Stolen Passports — Atty Gen reported visit to the C.H. and learning that the passport steal reported yesterday had reached the number of about 1000, as stolen. and explained the status there prevailing, and the notoriously bad character & inefficiency of several of the officers of that Bureau. It was agreed that George Markham Port Surveyor, A Gilfillan Apt. Big George statistical clerk, R W Moseman do & G H Miles Apt Store Keeper, be removed and F Turrill, H Unger, C E Coville J.B. Gibson and F.B. McStocker be nominated for these positions respectively.

Changes in Custom House

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
May 16

Passport Steal

Finance office 1.30 PM All present Min Finance submitted letter from Collector General Cleghorn reporting in detail facts and figures in re the late passport Steal, Showing 934 stolen from the files, and 43 of that number returned & utilized by passengers per City of Pekin.

Nomination for Apt Port Surveyor

Atty Gen reported that Capt Unger declined to accept the position of Apt Port Surveyor, & after discussion of the name of John Good Jr & it appearing that he would not consent to become naturalized as required by law. it was agreed that H B Rice of Palauma should be nominated for that position.

Min of Finance presented a letter of John H Wood applying for appointment

Tax Assessor — Appn of J H Wood

as Tax Assessor of Honolulu. It was thought by the Cabinet that such appointment would not be wise, & that Mr Wood should receive notice to that effect.

Consul at Apia

Min Interior reported that Mr Moon who was appt'd Consul at Apia by Commission of Mr Gibson delivered after Gibson's retirement from the Foreign Office desires a formal appointment from this Govt & he is to continue as such Consul. Min F.A. to enquire into it.

Budget

The Budget was further considered. Agreed that Estimate of tax receipts should be fixed at $300,000. for real estate and $350,000. for personal property, $70,000. for Poll tax, ~~Dogs~~ $10,000 for Dog tax, $5,000. for Licenses $12,000. for Carriages. Total $747,000. for Internal taxes.

Estimate of Fines & Penalties was raised from $100,000. to $125,000. upon the probability of increased receipts from Opium & Liquor fines to follow increased vigilance and efficiency of the Police. It was proposed & agreed to that the plan of spending Postal Savings Bank receipts only for Public Improvements be confined to a specific amount to be appropriated for them, and that any surplus which may arise be regarded as a Govt realization in the Treasury for general purposes.

Postal Savings Bk Receipts

The Cabinet then Adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888

May 17th Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present. Minutes read and approved.

Loan Act Schedule

It was agreed to cancel the Schedule of the Loan Act of 1886. and in submitting New Bill leave out the item for the

Recall and Cancellation of Bonds.

Removal of Munitions of War — Min For Affairs reported Gov Dominis promise to secure the removal of the arms and ammunition from the Palace & Barracks not needed there

C H Changes — In re Custom House, Agreed that Successor to Gilfillan should not now be decided upon, as H B Rice was on further consideration thought to be unavailable.

Revised Estimates — Min Finance submitted revised Estimates of Receipts $ 2,618,912.29
Total Expenditures $
Min Int Submitted revised estimates of running expenses making them $697,649.87 and Board of Health $ 313,129.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
May 18th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present
Minutes last meeting read & approved.

Military Bills — Min For Affairs submitted draft of a Military Bill which was discussed & some changes suggested. Also that he had prepared Bills relative to

Patent Rights &c Bills — Patents, Prints & Labels and Trade Marks Agreed that the latter be left to Min F.A.

Budget — Min Finance reported a final draft of the Budget making the following

Estimated Receipts	$ 2,618,912.29
" Expenditures	2,603,948.31
Leaving a Surplus of	$ 14,963.98

The estimated available receipts from the Postal Savings Bank are $320,000.—

Loan Fund Expended	238,000.—
Total	$ 558,000.—
Estimated Public Imports	527,000.—
Leaving an available Surplus of	$ 31,000.—

The Estimates for Public Improvements
Pali Road includes $45,000. for the Pali Road re-inserted after having been stricken out.
Min For Affairs reported re Chinese
Chinese Passports, various discrepancies in the
Passports books, stubs, records &c in his office made under the former Administration
That investigations were in progress with the hope of clearing up the whole matter.

The Cabinet then Adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888
May 21st Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
Min For Affairs submitted amendment
Chinese to Section 2 of the Chinese Immigration
Immigration Act of 1887. for the purpose of limiting the time during which permits issued prior to March 1st 1887 shall be available for entry to the Kingdom. It was agreed that Min F.A. shall draft a separate Bill to effect this purpose without amending the Immigration Act.
Military Min F.A. also reported amended draft
Bill of the Military Bill which was accepted with an amendment providing for a salary of $100. per month to the Lieut Colonel.
Report to the Min For Affairs submitted and read
Legislature his report to the Legislature

The Cabinet then adjourned.
Jon^a Austin Min For Affairs

1888
May 22nd Finance Office 11 A.M. All present
Chinese Minutes of last meeting read & approved
Permits Min For Affairs submitted draft of Bill to limit the time for return of

Chinese Permits issued prior to March 1st 1888 to Oct 1st 1888, and limiting future issues to one year Approved.

Budget — Corrected additions make the Ordinary Expenses $2,599,076.89
Surplus 19,835.40

Police Bill — Atty Genl submitted draft of Section 2 of the vetoed Police Bill adopted & agreed that the Bill so amended shall be introduced.

Jurors Challenges &c — Also draft of Bill in re Jurors which is to be submitted to the Supreme Court ~~with~~ for suggestions & reported back to the Cabinet

Finance Report — Min Finance submitted his report which is adopted.

Atty Genl's Report — Atty Genl reported alterations in his report to meet views of the Cabinet

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
May 23 — Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present. Minutes of last meeting read & approved

Interview with His Majesty — Min F.A. reports having seen His Majesty who returned from Hawaii yesterday. & that H M thinks no Cabinet Council necessary in re reports of Ministers to the Legislature, but wishes to have submitted to him the draft of Speech from the Throne for perusal and translation, and also draft of the proposed Civil List.

Speech from the Throne — Min Finance submitted draft of proposal for Speech from the Throne which after some suggestions was agreed to be re-written and again submitted.

— Min Finance reported an interview
Auditor Gen with the Auditor General in which the
to complain latter stated his intention of reporting
to the Legislature complaining of Minis-
terial neglect of the Audit law.

Complaint vs Also that Mr Schmidt of H Hackfeld & Co
Consul Gen had reported complaint against Mr
Armstrong Armstrong our Consul General in
London who it is said makes use of
his Official inspection of invoices to
promote his business interests in Hon-
olulu.

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jas Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888
May 24th Finance Office 10. A M All present.

— Draft of Speech from the Throne was
Royal Speech again read, discussed, amended and
adopted.

Min Finance submitted draft of a
Letter to letter to the King to accompany the draft
the King of the Speech when sent to the King
approved.

Min Interior reported having seen
Messrs W G Irwin & Co, and that he had
informed them that we could afford
only $48,000. subsidy to the O S S Co for
the current period, and that Messrs
Irwin & Co did not demur or express
dissatisfaction. Recess to 1.30 P M

1888
May 24th Finance Office 1-30 P M All present
Minutes to date read & approved.

Min Finance submitted draft of letter
— to Matthison & Co of London in reply to
Letter to theirs of recent date in re balance of
Matthison & Co interest account paid to Mr Armstrong
& proposed increase of rate of Commission

on payment of interest on bonds from 1% to 2½%

Removal of Consul General of London

In re Consul General at London, it was decided that the matter of the removal of Mr Armstrong should be pressed upon the King, and that a Cabinet Council should be arranged for—

The Cabinet then Adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
May 25th

Cabinet Council to be asked for

Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present Minutes read & approved. Agreed that if the King does not communicate with the Premier in re Speech within a couple of hours, the Premier shall request that a Cabinet Council be held, for that and other purposes including the Consul General at London.

Military to be asked to assist at Opening Cere-monies

Min F.A. reported that Gov Dominis stated his purpose to invite all of the Military Forces to participate in the services of opening the Legislature, if the King consents.

Parcels Post

Min F.A. submitted draft of a Bill to authorize Post Master General to establish Foreign & Domestic Parcels Post. Approved.

Special Sess. to be Prorogued

In re prorogation of the Special Session of 1887 Min Int reported purpose on the part of the President to convene the Special Session on Monday the 28th 10 A.M. to notify the King of its readings to be prorogued.

Min F.A. moved that the Cabinet shall appear in full dress with Ministerial ribbon at the opening of the Legislature. Carried. The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888 Saturday May 26th — Finance Office ~~May~~ 10.30 AM All present.

Min Finance reported having had an interview with His Majesty in re necessity for Cabinet Council etc. That His Majesty does not wish to have one if it can be avoided, would like to have the Special Session prorogued on Monday the 28th inst.

That H.M. would consent to a Council today at 2 PM provided the Atty General be not present as he does not wish to meet the Attorney General. That H.M. complained of the attempt of the Cabinet not to have the arms removed from the Palace during his absence. That he would hand in the Speech during the day. If matters can be arranged he will meet the Minister in whose department the matters belong.

Agreed that Min of Finance & For Affairs see the King today and arrange for the prorogation without ceremony.

Interview with H Majesty — Prorogue Session on 28th — Objections to the Atty Genl — Removal of Arms — Complaint of H.M.

In re Consul Genl at London — and press him to consent to asking the resignation of Armstrong Consul General in London.

Min Int reported application of W.C. Peacock & Co for license for the Dew Drop Inn as Peleketuhi the present licensee is bankrupt. Agreed that Min Interior act in his discretion as to issuing such license.

License to Peacock & Co — Dew Drop Inn

The Cabinet then Adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888

May 31st — Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

Minutes of 26th inst read and approved.

Min For Af. presented petition from Aiwan in re release of a ½ Chinese boy of Hawaiian birth and Maternity, now in Quarantine

Petition for release of ½ Chinese boy

referred to Min F.A. with power to act.

Chinese with Fraudulent Permits

The matter of the C H Chinese now detained in Quarantine for lack of valid permits to land, it appears that 43. of the number have permits stolen from the Custom House, and the balance have permits issued to other parties, which though not legally transferable have been transferred to the present holders. Min Fin will see the agents of the steamer which brought them and inform them of our intention to demand the deportation of these men by the P.M.S.S.Co. & the Collector Genl will write will write the agents H Hackfeld & Co making such demand. Meanwhile the Police Deptment will guard and feed the parties.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888

June 7th Finance Office 3 P.M. All present

Appropriation Bill. Text of

Draft of the proposed text of the Appropriation Bill was discussed and adopted. The following changes in estimated expenses were passed

Changes in Do

Running Exps Hon Water Works from $9,905. to 11,000.
Repairs & Additions to Do from $23,800. to $27,000.
Hon Fire Dept reduced from $31,000. to $
Permanent Improvements
China Engine House from $5,000. to $12,000.
Added Workshop & Store house for Hon Water Works $800.
Makiki Water Works $5,000.
Finance Department,
Added to Interest on National Debt Con^ts $3,000.
Pay of Pilots from $17,500. to $18,375.

Dept For Affairs. Added to expense of Volunteers from $12,000. to $15,000.

Constitutional Amendments in re Chinese

The project of Constitutional Amendments to permit certain Chinese to hold the elective franchise heretofore granted them was discussed, and Min For Affairs reported that he thought the Japanese Govt contemplates making enquiries upon this subject. Also project of deporting certain Japanese Gamblers upon request of the Jap Commissioner, who is willing to pay the expenses.

Japanese Gamblers

The Cabinet adjourned

Jas Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888
June 15th. Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present.

The matter of the Appointment of Tax Assessors was taken up. For Honolulu it was agreed that Min F.A. should see Col W. F. Allen & urge his acceptance upon assurance that the Cabinet contemplate changing this to a permanent Office with a good salary. The following names were discussed approvingly. Wm Henry for Koolaupoko Maui is left for consideration after the return of Noble Baldwin. AB Loebenstein for Hilo. D Porter for North Hilo. J. R. Mills for Hamakua W.J. Wright for N Kohala. J Kaai So Kohala Ed Smith, Kau. L H Stolz for Waimea Lorrin Andrews Makawao

The Bill in re distribution and sale of Revenue Stamps at Money Order Post Offices was discussed, & Min Int will see the P.M. General about having the Stamps distributed through his Office.

The Cabinet then Adjourned

Jas Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present
June 20th Petition for the pardon of J.S. Webb numerously signed, was considered
Pardon of J.S. Webb & Chinaman
Agreed to recommend him to the Privy Council for Pardon. Minister Interior reported a Chinese prisoner, blind and sick who should also be pardoned.

Tax Assessors W.F. Allen Dan Porter J.G. Rosa &c
In re Tax Assessors. Min For Affairs reported having seen Col W.F. Allen who declines the appointment on the ground of his health, and recommends J.G. Rosa, the present Auditor General. Min F.A. will see Mr Rosa in relation to resignation of his present position & appointment as Assessor. Min F.A. also reports that D Porter declines the assessorship of North Hilo.

The following were agreed upon

For Ewa and Waianae	Frank Pahia
" Honolulu	Kaikaiwa
" Waialua	J.S. Kainaola?
" Koolauloa	C.N. Kalama
" Koolaupoko	Wm Henry
" Lahaina	T.E. Evans
" Wailuku	W.F. Moseman
" Makawao	Larrin Andrews
" Hana	J.K. Hanuna
" Hilo	A.B. Lochenstein
" North Kohala	W.J. Wright
" South "	J. Kaai
" North Kona	Waipuilani
" South "	Molale
" Kau	Ed Smith
" Puna	O.T. Shipman

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jno Austin
Min For Affairs

1888 Finance Office 1-30 P.M. All present
June 21 Minutes read & approved. Mr G. J Ross.
having been offered the Assessorship of
Honolulu, wrote Min F.A. declining the
Tax Assessors Appointment, Min F.A. authorized to
G J Ross to see Mr C. A Brown and offer it to
C A Brown him. Atty Gen to see Rep Kawainui
re apptment of Frank Pahia for N. Hilo
to make room for S Hookano in Ewa
and Waianae.

Cabinet adjourned till 8.30
A M tomorrow.

Jno Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
June 22 Finance Office 8-30 A.M. All present
Min F.A. reported C.A. Brown unwill-
C A Brown unwilling to accept the Assessorship of
Assessor for Hon Honolulu. Appointment agreed upon.
Atty Gen reported Rep Kawainui's
agreement for F Pahia that the latter
Assessors should take Assessorship of North Hilo.
The completed list was read & agreed
to except for Hanalei Kauai for
which Dist Mr Hatfield will receive
the appointment if the Members
from Kauai agree thereto
Appropriation The Appropriation Bill as amended
Bill by a friendly caucus was submitted
The Matter of giving H H Williams
Melbourne a commission to represent the Govt
H H Williams at Melbourne without expense
to the Govt was agreed upon
Agreed that the Appropriation bill
be printed before presentation to the
House.

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jno Austin
Min For Affairs

1888 Finance Office 12-15 PM
June 30th All present,

Mr Owen Jones a Director of the Pacific Cable Co, was present, and explained the status of that Company. He stated that, at a late meeting in London, he was delegated to visit this country and the Australian Colonies. He has just come from the South, after interviewing the Governments of the Colonies. As a result of all these negotiations the "Egeria" has been dispatched, on a survey of the route from New Zealand to these Islands. Had done three week's work and returned to Auckland for provisions on the day of the sailing of the "Zealandia" from there. That the survey as far as Samoa is about completed, and the "Egeria" will proceed thence to survey the route to Fannings Island. Mr Jones hopes to secure the "Alert" to come from Halifax, and survey between these Islands and Vancouver, and hopes the "Egeria" may complete the survey from Fannings Island to this country. That it will take only six or eight weeks to complete the survey as far as Fanning's Island. That the Company can begin laying its cable within a year. Unless this Company can get a harbor in Samoa, they will not go to that country with their cable. That cables now will cost in round numbers £200 a mile, whereas the old cables laid by Sir John Pender cost about £350 per mile.

Mr Owen Jones Pacific Cable

SS Egeria to complete Survey from Fannings Isd

Cost of Cables £200 pr Mile

The New South Wale's Government is now the only one standing out of this compact. It is expected to run direct from Fiji to near Brisbane,

with a branch from Fiji to New Zealand.

Cable in 18 mos

Mr Jones says that he believes that in less than 18 months we will have a cable from British Columbia, and that within 2 years a line of steamers will run from British Columbia to Australia.

Stock subscd

That the stock £2,800,000 is subscribed provisionally upon securing from the different governments a guarantee of 4½ % which the promises of different governments have now secured. Estimated that the "Alert" can make the soundings between Van-couver and here in three or four months.

SS Alert to make soundings

4 J. to Vancouver

From soundings already taken by other ships, Mr Gray says they could commence the making of the cable at any time.

Contract with Bartholomew not objectionable

Mr Jones saw no objections to the con-tract with Mr Bartholomew, and the con-sequent dropping of the inter-island cable contract with Mr Coote.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min for Affairs.

1888

Sept. 3. Finance Office, 1.50 P.M. Present; Ministers Green, Thurston and Ashford. Minister Austin being ill.

Austin ill

Minister of the Interior reported being re-quested by the Minister of Foreign Affairs to represent him here now; accordingly, reported that he had official information of Colonel Ashford's nomination on 22nd ult., by the officers of the Volunteers to the position of Colonel of the Volunteers, and that his first opinion and intention had been to advise the rejection of such nomination, because of Col. Ashford's open and persistent abuse of the Cabinet and individual members thereof. But that, upon more mature consideration including the

Ashford nom-inated Col of Vols

majority by which he was elected and the lack of any overt act against the Government, he should not oppose his nomination. The Minister of the Interior expressed his concurrence in all reasons of the Minister of Foreign Affairs for and against Col. Ashford. Minister of Finance expressed himself in a similar way.

Com for Ashford presented to His Majesty

Minister of the Interior reported that he had a commission for Col. Ashford handed him by Minister of Foreign Affairs to present to the King for signature; Also that he had three applications for Charters of Incorporation

Charters

to Haleakala Ranch Co., Hawaiian Fruit and Taro Co., and Sing Chong & Co., - Commercial Referred to Attorney General to examine and report

G W Macfarlane claims $2300. in re London loan declined

Minister of Finance submitted letter from A. S. Hartwell making claim to some $2300 on behalf of G W. Macfarlane, for outlays in re London loan. Agreed that an answer should be sent declining to allow or pay said claim.

D B Smith asks Govt aid to key Ocean Cable

Minister of the Interior reported that D. B. Smith on behalf of Thompson-Houston Electric Co requested Government Aid as to construction of Ocean Cable from California to these Islands. That Attorney for Mr Smith would present a definite proposition probably to-morrow.

The Cabinet then adjourned
These Minutes by Mr Ashford

1888

Sept 13. Finance Office 1. P.M. Present; Ministers Green; Thurston and Ashford.

Austin ill

Minister Austin being sick.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Minister of the Interior reported that he had delivered the commission of V. V. Ashford to His Majesty, on or about 4th inst.

that on the 7th inst, His Majesty in further conversation with him had promised that it would be forthcoming in a few days. It was reported further that His Majesty had returned said commission without signature, on the 12th inst., the King having declined to sign it. It was agreed to leave the matter in abeyance till the Minister of Foreign Affairs (now ill) returns to his office, when the matter will be further pressed.

King refuses to sign Com'n for Col Ashford

Haleakala Ranch Co Charter granted on terms

Attorney General reported back petition for Incorporation of the Haleakala Ranch Co with recommendation, the same be granted, upon providing for service of legal process upon at least one permanent officer in addition to the President, as proposed in the form submitted.

Fruit & Taro Co Charter change recommended

In like manner reported petition of Hawaiian Fruit and Taro Co. without recommendation; but the Cabinet declined to consent to such grant of a Charter, unless the shares of Capital Stock should be placed at $100.00 instead of $20.00 as proposed in the form submitted. Also that the division of the stock into shares be noticed in the Charter

Sing Chong Co Charter refused

In re Sing Chong Co. - Commercial - he recommended that the Charter be not granted, for the reason that it grants powers too extensive.

Tax Appeal Boards approved

Minister of Finance read list of proposed appointments to Tax Appeal Boards - which were approved.

Tax Collectors

The matter of Tax Collectors was gone into, and C. T. Gulick was agreed upon for Honolulu, the commission to be 2½ %

Ewa & Waianae
Waialua
Koolauloa
Koolaupoko

J. Paukiolani
C. N. Kalama
E. P. Aikue

Lahaina	D. Taylor
Wailuku	W. S. Maule
Makawao	H. B. Bailey
Hana	J. P. Sylva
Molokai & Lanai	D. Kalauokalani
South Hilo	D. Porter
North Hilo	W. H. Shipman
Hamakua	R. A. Lyman
North Kohala	H. P. Wood
South Kohala	J. Paakiki
North Kona	J. Kaelemakule
South Kona	S. Kekumano
Kau	
Puna	J. N. Kamoku
Lihue	S. A. Hapuku
Kawaihau	A. Punki
Koloa	S. Naauao
Waimea	G. W. Malama
Hanalei	Jno. Kahina
Niihau	Kaika

Min Interior to go to California

Minister of the Interior reported a desire to go to the coast on next steamer, if no grave reasons exist to prevent; on business of private nature as well as on account of matters connected with his Department: That the matters of purchase of Electric Light Plant and plant for change of gauge of plant for Beretania St. Railroad; the Street R.R. Co having offered terms on which to convey Government traffic on their new roads on Beretania and other streets, after the same is constructed

The King desires to go to Hawaii

That the King had informed him of his desire to go early next week to Hawaii and suggested a Cabinet meeting with the King on the 17th inst., to discuss this matter and others

The Cabinet then adjourned

These Minutes by Mr Ashford

1888 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present-
Sept 19. Attorney General presented draft of proposed release of claims and discontinuance
Madras Case of suit *in re* Chapman v The Hawaiian Government (the "Madras Case") which was approved.

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported
Col Ashford H M again refuses to sign Comn having seen the King and requested him to sign the Commission of V V. Ashford as Colonel of the Volunteers which the King refused to do That Mr Ashford had written a letter to the Minister claiming to hold said office by virtue of his election, and that the King's signature to his commission is not necessary to his holding the office. The opinion prevailed that such commission would be merely an evidence of title to the office, and that the title existed independent of such written commission, and that the
Min F A to give Certificate to Col Ashford Minister of Foreign Affairs should give Col Ashford certificate of his election, and place him formally in command. Agreed that the Minister of Foreign Affairs should prepare draft of statement of facts &c. *in re* for presentation to Col. Ashford and submit it to Cabinet hereafter.

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported
King refuses to consent to the recall of Armstrong Consul at London having requested the consent of the King to recall Mr Armstrong's commission as Consul General at London, which the King refused to grant, that he had informed the King that, failing such consent, he, the Minister, would remove Mr Armstrong upon his own authority. It was agreed that the Minister of
Armstrong's resignation to be demanded Foreign Affairs should write to Mr Armstrong demanding his resignation of said office and that he turn over his papers and effects to Mr Manley Hopkins Consul at

London.

Also that Commissioner Wodehouse had this morning informally informed him that he would deliver to this Government a Protest from the British Government against the grant of an exclusive franchise to Mr Audley Coote in re Pacific Cable. It was the opinion of the Cabinet that no right exists in the British Government to interfere in this matter.-

HBM's Com enters protest agst grant to Audley Coote Sec 2 Chap XXVII 1887

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported that His Majesty had commissioned Mr Thurston as "Special Agent to transact in the United States of America such business as may be proper, relative to obtaining the necessary plant and material for carrying out contemplated public works in this Kingdom". And that Mr Thurston would leave for California by the "Australia" on the 25th inst. and that the Minister of Foreign Affairs has a commission to act as Minister of the Interior ad interim. Minister of the Interior stated that he would probably be detained in California longer than he at first expected.- perhaps two months in all

L A Thurston Com as Special Agent to US

Min F.A. Com Min Int As Interim

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1888
Oct 8th Finance Office 1 P.M. Present Ministers Green, Ashford and Austin.

In re District Justice of E Kau, the Atty Genl reported correspondence in progress, and it was agreed that appointment be deferred until the return of Mr Hall next trip.

District Justice for East Kau

~~Dist~~ Police Justice Lihue Kauai — It was agreed to recommend S. R. Hapuku as Police Justice of Lihue Kauai. The list of Tax Collectors was gone over & corrections made.

Custom House appointments — In re Custom House, the Atty Genl It was agreed that the Collector Genl be instructed to at once discharge R. W. Boyd from the service of the Department because of his late complicity in plots against the Government. It was also agreed that the Collector Genl be instructed to place E. W. Langley on the force of CH Guards, he having been promised a place there by the Col Genl & having left another position to accept the same.

R. W. Boyd — E. W. Langley

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon Austin
Min for Affairs

1888

Oct 10th Finance Office 1.30 P.M. Present Ministers Green, Austin and Ashford

Mr Austin presented report upon amended form of Charter for Sing Chong & Co., objecting to the grant of the proposed Charter, on the grounds therein set forth (on file in the Interior Office) The report upon the original form of proposed Charter was also read in part. On motion, the Reports in question were adopted, and the prayer for the proposed Charter was declined.

Amended Charter for Sing Chong & Co

Japanese Com's letter in re Electoral franchise — Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted letter from Japanese Commissioner, received in October 1887, in re the exclusion of Japanese from the right of the electoral franchise. He reported that the letter had not been yet formally answered, and that the Japanese Government was becoming impatient for an answer. The Minister

Dft of reply to Jap Comr

submitted a draft of a reply, discussing the question involved, and combatting the idea of any right existing on the part of Japanese residents to be admitted to the right of the electoral franchise. It was agreed that upon that basis the draft should be accepted as representing the views of this Government.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs –

1888

Novr 1 Finance Office, 1 30 P.M All present

F Collin de Parades claim –

Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted claim of Monsieur F. Collin de Parades of Paris on account of advance by the late Hawaiian Chargé d' Affaires at Paris to Colonel Jaukea in 1884, also that the records of his office

J.A. Gibson drew the money.

show that Mr Gibson drew $100. from the Treasury March 31. 1886 and left a memorandum to effect that it had been paid by him on that account. That the 2nd of Exchange for this sum is now presented, no trace of the 1st of Exchange having been found by him. The Minister's action in declining to pay the draft, until the delay in presenting same be explained, and pending further investigation as to the payment of the 1st of Exchange is approved.

H Hackfeld & Co claim of A.W. Herring of Bremen

Minister of Foreign Affairs also submitted letter from Messrs H Hackfeld & Co. respecting claim of a German, A. W. Herring of Bremen for seven (7) military officer's uniforms, ordered by His Majesty through A. Hoffmann & Co in 1885, amount of claim being $608.54. Letter from Hoffmann to His Majesty Sept. 12/85 asking for official authorization to make purchase &c. &c., was read. Agreed that reply should be sent to Messrs H. Hackfeld & Co disclaiming any liability on the part of the

Government for the uniforms in question, but offering all practicable assistance in discovering and securing payment by the parties responsible for the claim.

Japanese protest agt Electoral Law

Minister of Foreign Affairs read letter of Minister Irwin in re request of Japanese Govt as to the admission of the Japanese in this country to the electoral franchise. It was agreed that this project should be discussed with prominent citizens, and further considered at a future meeting.

Haw Exhibit at Paris 1889

Minister of Foreign Affairs presented suggestion from Col. Spalding in re Hawaiian Exhibit at Paris Exhibition next year.

E W Langley apptmt of

Attorney General again called up the matter of the appointment of E. W. Langley as Custom House Guard, figures were shown whereby the appropriation for extra guards could not support another appointment, and the matter was allowed to drop.

In re payt of Vice Chamberlain

Minister of Finance brought up matter of the Chamberlaincy, J. W. Robertson having been appointed Vice-Chamberlain the Registrar General declines to pay him Salary as Chamberlain. It was the expressed opinion that Mr Robertson is not entitled to draw salary appropriated for Chamberlain.

Section 5 of the App Bill

Section 5 of the Appropriation bill was discussed as to what disposition should be made of the $45,000.00 on hand, realized from the Loan of 1886. The question as to whether this amount, in pursuance of existing laws properly belongs to the general fund was considered and deferred.

The cabinet then adjourned

Jon Austin
Min For Affairs.

1888. Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present.

November 2nd. Minister of Foreign Affairs reported request from His Majesty that Messrs John Ena, W. H. Cummings and Geo. C. Beckley be appointed as Members of the Privy Council, at the approaching birthday of His Majesty. It was agreed that the Cabinet should approve the appointment of John Ena to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. S. G. Wilder, but not any other or further appointments.

Privy Council Nominations by H.M. declined

Vacancy Privy Council offered to fill by John Ena

Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted a complaint from the Post Master General in re the custom prevailing in the French Legation in this city of mailing its official correspondence without pre payment of postage. A letter from the President of the Postal Union to the Post Master General, sustaining the right to mail such correspondence without such pre-payment. It was thought inexpedient to take any action looking to a change in this system.

Post Master Genl on French Legation

Appr. Bill S.S. again

Minister of Finance again brought up the matter of the $45,532.31. on hand as unexpended balance of Loan Fund of 1886; discussed and again deferred.

The Cabinet then adjourned

John Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1888.

Nov. 7. Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

The Minister of the Interior reported having seen Mr J. D. Spreckels in San Francisco in re the sailing and arriving times of the mails between that port and Honolulu. Agreed that Chamber of Commerce and fruit shippers should be invited to send committees to meet the Cabinet at 10 A.M. on Saturday the 10th to further discuss this matter

Coast Mails re change of time

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs,

1888
Nov. 10 "Finance Office". 10. A.M. All present.

California Steamers

According to appointment a Committee from the Chamber of Commerce consisting of Messrs. F. A. Schaefer, P. C. Jones and J. T. Waterhouse Jr., and M. P. Robinson, A. J. Campbell and J. Kidwell, fruit growers, and F. Wundenberg P.M.G. met us to consult in re a change in the schedule time of the steamer "Australia" on the San Francisco line.

Mr Schaefer presented a plan for the leaving of the "Australia" from San Francisco seven days after the through steamers, and leave here seven days ahead of the through boat.

Mr Kidwell presented plan for sailing of vessel from here on Tuesday week following up Colonial boat, and arriving at San Francisco Monday night following, then sail from there on following Saturday. This plan would leave three (3) days between the arrival of the through steamer from San Francisco, and the sailing of the "Australia" from here.

The Postmaster General and others thought that no better or faster time than now prevails could be relied upon.

Meeting after discussing the affair from different stand-points was adjourned till Thursday, November 15th at 10. A.M. at which time, time-tables are to be presented

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1888. Finance Office 10 A.M. All present.
Novr 15. Also Committee from Chamber of Commerce and Fruit Growers, from adjourned meeting of the 10th inst., in re sailing schedule of mail steamers between Honolulu and San Francisco.

California Steamers

Mr Schaefer reported the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce having concluded that no beneficial change in the time table could be suggested, beyond having the departure from San Francisco and arrival at Honolulu 4 hours earlier than at present but referred to Postmaster General for details of several propositions that had been considered. The Post Master General submitted a plan to have the sailing from San Francisco on Saturday and from Honolulu on Friday. Several propositions to this end were discussed by different members of the Committees and Cabinet.

Mr Kidwell moved as the sense of the meeting, that the present order be reversed, having the intervals of arriving here at 3 and 25 days, and of leaving at 10 and 18 days interval, Mr Robinson seconds the motion,- Lost

Mr Schaefer moved that the present schedule be maintained, except that steamers shall be timed to leave San Francisco at 10.^00 A.M. and to arrive at Honolulu not later than 8.^00 o'clock on the 7th day out from San Francisco Mr Jones seconds the motion.-A tie vote resulted.

The Schedule, to have the Australia leave here the Thursday week preceding the departure of the up Colonial steamer, and to leave San Francisco on Friday, two weeks later, was moved by Mr Campbell -a tie vote resulted on this motion.

The meeting then adjourned, leaving the matter in the hands of the

Cabinet.-

The Cabinet then adjourned till 1.30 P.M. on Monday the 19th inst.

Jos^h Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1888.

Nov 19 Finance Office 1.30 P.M. All present

The Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted an invitation from the British Government to this Government to join the Convention, promulgated by a late meeting of political representatives in Europe, for the abolition of sugar bounties. It was decided that the Minister of Foreign Affairs should reply, that the matter is under consideration of the Government.

Sugar Bounties Convention

Also application from W. H. Grenhalgh for Letters of Denization, he being about to proceed to England on a mission for His Majesty in reference to obtaining information and capital for the introduction and expansion of tobacco culture in this country. It was agreed that the application be granted.

W H Grenhalgh Denization

Tobacco &c

The matter of the Schedule of the sailing of the Stmr. "Australia" between this port and San Francisco was further considered. A draft of a letter to the Oceanic S. S. Co. with reference to a change in the schedule, and with reference to the establishment of steam communication with Tahiti, as a branch of the present service. The schedule agreed upon was one by which the "Australia" will sail from here are Thursday week succeeding the sailing of the Colonial up steamer, and from San Francisco 15 days later - Friday.

Time Table Cal Steamers

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos^h Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1888. Finance Office. 1.30 P.M. All present

Dec. 3rd

Letter from Col Spalding in re tax exemption of $300.

Letter from Col Spalding *in re* the allowance by the Tax Collectors, of the exemption from taxation of $300 worth of property in the case of each resident of a given District, was submitted, and it was agreed that the Collector for Kawaihau should be instructed that, where such exemption has not been allowed in the figures of the Assessor it should be allowed by the Collector, and no taxes collected upon the $300 worth of property so by law exempted, as per Sec. 68 of the Tax Law.

Exemption of cripples &c

Minister of Finance asked for instructions as to exemption of certain cripples, poor people &c. from personal taxes. It was agreed that such matters, resting in the discretion of Assessors and Collectors, it should be re-committed to them

Appn of R A Atkins for return of bail money

Application of R. A. Atkins, Police Justice of Kohala for return of $30.00 bail money heretofore paid into the Treasury. Referred to Attorney General.

Appn for Chinese permits under Chinese Act

Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted letter from Col. Spalding, asking for passports for the introduction of 300 Chinese, (under the Chinese Restriction Act) to supply his demand. Also that similar application for 100 Chinese for Spreckelsville had come in, agreed that reply should be sent to effect that such applications could be entertained by the Cabinet; only when coming through the Board of Immigration.

Cons Genl Armstrong asks for reasons why his resignation is requested. His removal ordered

Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted letter from Consul General Armstrong, of London, *in re* request for his resignation, asking reasons for such request. Suggested that reply should be sent removing Mr Armstrong from said office, and informing him that the reasons for such action are embodied in

the resolutions of the Legislature, (sending him a copy) and this course was agreed.

Crown Lands in re Leases

Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted matter of applications of different parties for new or re-newals of existing leases of Crown Lands, and raised the question whether it is now advisable to grant any leases of those lands for considerable periods

In re Transfer of Crown Lands to the Govt

Minister of Interior suggested that this Cabinet must formulate a policy regarding the Crown Lands, which, by reason of the method of their present holding - are a great drawback, and suggested their acquisition by the Government and the issue of bonds sufficient to yield interest equal to the present income therefrom. The matter was discussed at considerable length

Resolution in re long leases

On motion agreed that it is the sentiment of the Cabinet that no more long leases of these lands should be made except as an inducement to the development of resources, or the making of expenditures in the way of expansion of enterprise, or where other particular controlling circumstances govern the case in hand.

Japanese voting franchise

Minister of Foreign Affairs again submitted the matter of the amendment of the Constitution, so as to admit the Japanese to an equality with others, as to the electoral franchise, and asked for an expression of opinion from the Cabinet in re. Agreed that an answer should be sent stating that the matter is under consideration rc

Dillingham R.R. Contract

Minister of the Interior submitted matter of a contract with Mr Dillingham in re Oahu Railroad. Agreed that the Cabinet (except Mr Green) should meet Mr Dillingham this evening to discuss this matter. (At the house of Mr Austin)

Met again on a form of contract

Min F.A. & Min Int going away — Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Minister of the Interior reported that they are going away to other Islands to-morrow to be gone several weeks.

Petitions of Prisoners for Pardon to be handed to the Prison Comrs — Agreed that the Attorney General should hand Prison Commissioners' petitions for Pardons for their consideration and report.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Dec. 26
1888

Finance Office 11.00 A.M. Present Minister Green, Austin and Ashford.

Armstrong in re resignation — Minister of Foreign Affairs presented correspondence from A. R. Armstrong in re his resignation of Consul General at London. Agreed that his letter of resignation addressed to His Majesty should be handed to His Majesty by Minister of Foreign Affairs with advice that same be formally accepted, but that in so doing the Cabinet do not admit His Majesty's power, by withholding such acceptance, to impose upon this Government an undesirable Consul General or other officer. Also that His Majesty should be fully informed of all the correspondence in re including letter removing Mr Armstrong from his office &c. &c.

Chinese at Hong Kong petition to Hawn Con'Gen — Also petitions received through Consulate at Hong Kong, from Chinese Merchants and rejected passengers per China Steamers especially "City of New York" last July, as to their not being allowed to land here, under new restriction act. Agreed that Attorney General shall address Minister of Foreign Affairs in re giving recital of attendant facts and reasons for rejection.

Police Justice of Honolulu — In re Police Judge of Honolulu. It was stated that Mr Wilcox holds full

commission as 2nd District Justice; so there is no hurry about appointing successor to Mr Dayton, whose term expires 28th inst.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos A Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1888.

Dec 29. Finance Office. 10.30 A.M. All present

Minister of Interior having returned from his tour of Hawaii, reported the Volcano Road from Hilo in course of location.

Volcano Road

Agreed that Minister of Foreign Affairs be authorized to continue Henry Grube Marchant one more year at the Boston School of Engraving at an expense of $850.00

H. G. Marchant to continue 1 year

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported further letter from Minister Irwin in re desire of Japanese Government to secure the extension of electoral franchise to the Japanese in this country, to effect that the Japanese Government being informed of the adjournment of our Legislature, but urging our Government to make this extension a Cabinet measure in the next house. Agreed that answer should be sent stating that the matter was under the serious consideration of this Government, by whom a decision will be announced before the next Legislative Session.

Japanese electoral franchise

Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted letter from Col. Spalding in re arranging a system of exhibits for the Paris Exposition in 1889. The matter was agreed to be referred to the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Interior, who will further consider the matter and enter upon a system of arrangements.

Paris Exposition of 1889

In re Police Justice for Honolulu.

The Commission of Mr Dayton having expired, and another nomination being

Police Justice of Honolulu

1888 Dec. 29. required; a protest from eleven members of the Supreme Court Bar was read, against his re-appointment. It was agreed that Wm Foster be nominated for the place.

Consul General Armstrong — In re Consul General Armstrong, Minister of Foreign Affairs reported having delivered to the King Mr Armstrong's resignation, with recommendation that it be accepted, and that His Majesty has taken it under advisement. This resignation has been received here since the sending from the Foreign Office of the letter of removal.

Inter Island Cable — Minister of Foreign Affairs reported advices from Mr Bartholmew to effect that the first section of the Inter-Island Cable from Honolulu to Maui is under construction.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889. Jan. 2. Finance Office. 2.00 P.M. All present.

Minister of Finance reported $250.000 of Post Office Saving's Bank Deposits for the first nine months of this period, $42,000 having been so paid in during the past month. A discussion ensued as to the method of disposing of this large sum. It was suggested that $100 000 of this sum be applied to the purchase of outstanding 6% bonds if they can be obtained at par. It was further reported that the revenues for the past 9 months from the Custom House and Honolulu taxes alone exceeded the estimates by $35 000.00

Postal Savings Bank deposits

To buy Bonds

Increase of Revenue

Public Works

Minister of Interior reported upon the status of the Public Works provided for by Sec. 3. of the Appropriation Bill, showing many of the works in a considerably advanced state.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889
Jan 4 Finance Office. 2 P.M. All present.

Photographs in re exhibiting them in Excursion Offices

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported conversation with Mr Lyons, Agent of Raymond & Whitcomb Excursion Managers. The suggestion is made that the pictures now in McKinley's hands be divided between the Boston, New York and Philadelphia Offices of Raymond & Whitcomb considered favorably but deferred.

Appn of Major Benson to be Consul Genl at San Francisco

Minister of Foreign Affairs also presented application of Major Benson for position of Consul General at San Francisco, in place of McKinley who is supposed likely to get some office under the U. S. Government. No action taken.

His Majesty declines to accept Armstrongs resignation

Letters from J. W. Robertson the King's private Secretary declining to accept Armstrongs resignation as Consul General at London and objecting to the appointment of Manley Hopkins. No action taken.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889. Finance Office 2. P.M. All present.

Jan. 7.

Marine Conference at Washington

Minister of Foreign Affairs again submitted letter from U. S. Legation inviting this Government to participate in an International Maritime Convention to be held at Washington D.C. April 17. 1889. Reported that he had accepted the invitation on behalf of this Government. The matter of a representative from this Government was discussed. It was agreed that the Minister of Foreign Affairs should commission our Minister at Washington Mr H. A. P. Carter, to attend the Convention as our representative.

Paris 1889 Exposition Advertisement

The matter of our representation at the Paris Exhibition was further discussed. A draft of a proposed advertisement calling for samples for such exhibition was submitted. The expense of the enterprise being the chief feature, it was suggested that $1000.00 be devoted thereto from the appropriation for Foreign Agents, and that a popular subscription be asked, as an auxiliary. The matter was further deferred to await correspondence with Col. J. S. Spalding in re, but the advertisement to be meantime published.

Appropriation of $1000. for above

in re Prison Labor

Minister of Interior submitted the question of furnishing Prison Labor to different departments of the Government, showing that the Street Department was suffering from having so many useless prisoners imposed upon it. That as there is no law requiring - say, the Street Department - to pay from its appropriation for such labor, that, that system should not be any further pursued. So moved and agreed.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Minister of Foreign Affairs,

1889 Jan. 9. Finance Office. 2 P.M. All present

Minister of Finance submitted correspondence *in re* disputed claim to exemption from taxation upon their lands by the Trustees of the Kamehameha Schools. Attorney General reported that the Trustees had made payment of such taxes under protest, and were about to bring suit against the Collector to recover them back.

Disputed Taxation by Kamehameha School Trustees

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported progress *in re* measures for securing exhibit at Paris Exhibition, and that His Majesty is desirous of contributing quite largely to such exhibit. Also that a proposition was made for a trip thither of the Hawaiian Band, their expenses to be paid outside of Government resources. This matter is still under consideration. Also that His Majesty is desirous of personally attending that Exhibition if a satisfactory arrangement can be effected to that end. He to bear his own expense.

His Majesty proposes to Exhibit at Paris

re the Band Trip to Paris

His Majesty desires also to go to Paris

Minister of the Interior brought up matter of applications for Pardons, and submitted a resolution as to the methods to be hereafter pursued *in re* which resolution is to be submitted for the consideration of the Judges of the Supreme Court, pending further consideration.

Appns for Pardons

Minister of the Interior submitted for approval a set of proposed rules and regulations of the Board of Health for the government of Kokuas at the Leper Settlement which were approved

Board of Health Rules approved

The application of Grove Ranch Plant. Co. for a charter amendment to reduce the par value of their capital stock from $250.00 to $100.00 per share was

Grove Ranch Plantation reduction of par value of shares

agreed to.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889
Jan 10 Finance Office. 2 P.M. Present Mm Green, Thurston and Austin.

Pardons, see resolution attached

Minister of Foreign Affairs presented resolution about Pardons with approval of Judges and it was adopted. It is posted on this page in type writing

Coats + repairs for Portuguese Co Hon Rifles

Minister of Foreign Affairs presented a bill from J. A. Farria for coats and repairs for the Portuguese Co. of the Honolulu Rifles $458.^{\text{m}}$. Ordered that same be paid. Also balance of outfit for same Co.

Parcels Post Convention with U. S. Approved

Minister of Foreign Affairs presented a Parcels Post Convention between the Hawaiian Islands and the United States of America and explained its provisions. Ordered that the Minister of Foreign Affairs get it approved by His Majesty and send it to Washington for exchange of ratifications.

Min Finance to see His Majesty

Minister of Finance was appointed a Committee of one to talk with His Majesty about his proposed scientific exhibition at Paris.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

PARDONS.

Resolved that the following method of disposition of Petitions for Pardon be hereafter followed.

I. That each such petition shall be in English and Hawaiian.

II. That it shall contain

(1) Name in full of the person for whom a pardon is asked.

(2) Age of person for whom a pardon is asked.

(3) Sex of person for whom pardon is asked.

(4) Offence for which such person is imprisoned.

(5) Date of Sentence.

(6) What the sentence is, amount of fine, and length of imprisonment.

(7) The Court passing the sentence.

III. That upon receiving such petition, the Jailor of the Oahu Prison apend a certificate showing the applicants record and conduct while in prison.

IV. That so far as practicable the opinion of the prosecuting officer and the presiding Judge, before whom the trial of the applicant took place, be also appended.

V. That such application with appendages be referred to the Privy Council without recommendation by the Cabinet.

1889 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present
Jan 14. Minister of the Interior stated that Mr Hartwell had put in a bill in re unassigned lands for $2,000.00 crediting the $250.00 already paid. It was postponed to allow the Attorney General to examine the record, with a view to reporting upon the the reasonableness of the amount so charged.

Hartwells bill Unassigned lands

In re District Judge East Kau, Minister of the Interior stated that a road is projected from Hilea to Pahala direct, after the construction of which one judge will be able to perform the duties for both ends of the District.

Dist Judge East Kau

Also in re disputed claim of Skinner & Co. vs Board of Immigration that they now propose to compromise, by submitting same to arbitration. It was the sense of the Cabinet that no compromise be made, but that they be left to pursue their legal rights in re

Skinner & Co claim disputed

It was decided that the Minister of Foreign Affairs should apply for 5600 square feet of floor space in the Paris Exposition.

Paris Exposition Space applied for

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jas Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889
Jan 16 Finance Office 2. P.M. All present.
Attorney General reported, in re bill of A S. Hartwell, that he thought the bill too large, and suggested a further payment of $1000.00 as sufficient compensation. Agreed that the Attorney General should meet Mr Hartwell and endeavor to arrange this claim.

Hartwells bill again

Minister of the Interior submitted a proposal to demand of the Commissioners of Crown Lands the Unassigned Lands now in their possession. It was agreed

Unassigned lands in Crown Lands Crown hands

that such demand should be made with exhibit of descriptions, whereupon the Commissioners will probably submit the same to the Supreme Court with a request for instructions in re

G.B. d'Anglade French Comr

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported the arrival and the reception by His Majesty of Mons. G. B. d'Anglade French Commissioner

Pardons recommended by Prison Comrs

The Attorney General reported that the Prison Commissioners had returned several applications for pardon with recommendation that they be granted. Ordered that the Minister of Foreign Affairs arrange with His Majesty for a meeting of the Privy Council.

Privy Council to be called

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889
Jan 17. Finance Office 2.00 P.M. All present.

Cornwells Taxes

In re taxes on the Cornwell residence, it was the opinion of a majority of the Cabinet that whereas $5000 was added to the assessable value thereof as returned through inadvertance of the Assessor's Clerk the Minister of Finance might remit the taxes ($50.00) levied in respect of this excess, it not having been paid into the Treasury.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889 Finance Office. 2.00 P.M. All present.
Jan 23.

Tax Questions

Minister of Finance submitted questions in re unpaid taxes on Junker Est. from R. A. Lyman Collector for Hamakua and other unpaid taxes there, which it was agreed the Attorney General should take charge of. Also that in case of parties paying their taxes by working them out under sentence, the receipt should express that fact upon its face. It was decided as not being proper for the Minister of Finance to honor drafts from Road Boards before receiving returns from the tax collectors of the respective districts.

Drafts for Road Taxes

Volunteers

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported an interview with Col. Ashford in re the Second Batallion Hawaiian Volunteers and the prospects of a hostile political agitation among them. The further question of expediency of fully equipping that Batallion with arms, uniforms &c. was discussed, and agreed that, in the absence of official reports from them as to their present condition of equipment no steps in the direction of further equipment be taken.

Leases illegally made to the King & Queen

Minister of Interior submitted matters of leases illegally let to the King and Queen without their having been advertised, and the necessity of taking portions of the lands so leased for homestead purposes. Owning to his non-ability to make an amicable agreement with their Majesties, he has decided to ignore the leases, and proceed as though they did not exist. Agreed to.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889 Jan 28. Finance Office 10. A.M. All present

Pardon of Akana

The Privy Council having recommended that Akana now serving in Oahu Prison a sentence for the unlawful possession of Opium be pardoned. Resolved that the Cabinet concur in such recommendation Carried.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889 Jan 30. Finance Office 2. P.M. All present.

In re Denization of Roscoe Blossom

Minister of Foreign Affairs presented petition from Roscoe Blossom for Letters of Denization with the purpose of securing admission to the Bar, and he moved that he the Minister of Foreign Affairs be instructed to inquire more fully concerning the standing character &c. &c. of Mr Blossom before further action be taken. Carried

Kawaihau Singing Club & the Paris Exposition

Minister of Foreign Affairs further reported His Majesty's request on behalf of a singing Club called the 'Hui Kawaihau' for permission to attend the Paris Exposition, and submitted a list of their names - 23 in all - 6 of whom are members of the Hawaii Band. It was the sentiment of the Cabinet that no obstacle could be interposed to their going under the law, nor should any pecuniary obligation in re be incurred.

Requirements for the Kings Guard

Also that he had received from Captain of King's Guard an informal estimate of requirements for that body during the coming two years.

Liquor bills for Firemen

Minister of Interior reported bills for liquor supplied to the Firemen after the late fire in Chinatown forwarded by Chief Engineer. Agreed that

they be paid, and that the Department be notified that no similar bills will be paid in future.

District Judge South Kona S Molale

In re District Judge for South Kona. Agreed that S. Molale be nominated for that position, now vacant.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889
Feb. 1. Finance Office. 2. P. M. All present.

Roscoe Blossom in denization

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported in re Roscoe Blossom an applicant for Letters of Denization that, by next sailing hence of the 'Australia' he will send for credentials, or depart for America.

Onomea Sugar Co. amendment of Charter

Minister of Interior submitted petition from Onomea Sugar Co for amendment to their Charter changing par value of their stock from $10. to $100. per share. It having been favorably recommended by the Attorney General to whom it had been referred. Agreed that amendment be granted.

Oahu R R & Land Co Chartered

Also petition for Charter for Oahu Railroad and Land Company, similarly approvingly reported. The Petition, Form of Charter and other papers were read by the Minister. On motion agreed that the charter be granted as prayed.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889 Finance Office. 2 P.M. All present.
Feb. 4. Minutes of Feb. 1. read and adopted.

Deputy Justice of Hamakua sick.

In re Deputy Justice of Hamakua - on report that the present incumbent is sick, agreed that no action be taken till further reports from the condition of the present Justice are to hand. On suggestion of Chief Justice that present Police Justice of Honolulu is disqualified through relationship to the President of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Co. to take cognizance of cases where that Company is concerned,

Luther Wilcox Deputy Justice of Honolulu

Resolved, that W. L. Wilcox be nominated for second, or Deputy Justice for Honolulu.

In re expenditures for Paris Exposition

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported the refusal of the Auditor General to audit a bill of $30.00 drawn for expenses of Paris Exposition against the Appropriation for Expenses of Foreign Agents on the ground that it is not properly attributable to that Appropriation. It was the sense of the Cabinet that all such incidentals should be paid out of the subscribed fund and that the Government's contribution should be paid to the Agent who is sent in charge of the Exhibit.

Amt to be pd to Agent $1000.

Fencing Palace Square

The matter of fencing Palace Square was discussed. Minister of Interior reported a contract let for fencing it. The unpopularity of the enterprise was discussed, and the Minister of Interior was urged to allow the matter to drop and erect no fence.

Tramways Co Exchange of land rights for lots

Minister of Interior reported request of Tramways Co. to acquire certain lots on the Esplanade or near the Chinese Theatre &c. But as the Government Road

to Moiliili runs across the Company's land it was proposed to compromise the respective claims and demands in the premises by giving them a lease of the lots desired, without ~~statutory~~ advertising sale of same, in return for right of way across said land, and perpetual right to run locomotives &c. on the Company's tracks, such right of exchange without ~~sale~~ advertisement being conferred by law upon the Minister. It was agreed that the Minister should negotiate further, and would be warranted in making such an arrangement.

J C

J A

Locomotive & Incandescent Light Machines ordered

Minister of Interior reported locomotive to fit the Street Rail Road ordered from United States also that two 1000 light machines for incandescent electric lights had been ordered.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos. Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889
Feby 23d Finance Office 11. a.m. All present. Minutes of Feby 4 read & approved.

Paris Exposition bills paid

Min F.A. reported having paid bills against Paris Exhibition to date to amt of $887.01, out of the subscribed fund, and that he had received on a/c of that fund $3000. from the Finance Committee. Agreed that 2000. copies of the Catalogue of our Exhibit at Paris be printed here for distribution.

In re G.W. Macfarlane as Chamberlain

In re Chamberlain, Min F.A. reported that J.W. Robertson Acting Chamberlain had stated that the papers & books of the Chamberlains Office had been turned over to Geo. W. Macfarlane. Min of Finance stated that G.W. Macfarlane assuming

to act as Chamberlain had drawn
Orders for the withdrawal of goods for H.M. orders upon the Collector General for the removal of goods for the King. which orders are now held in abeyance by orders from the Finance Office. Also that G.W.M. had reported to Min Fin that he had accepted the position of Chamberlain and was anxious to be acknowledged as such & his commission countersigned by a Minister. The opinion of the Cabinet was expressed that approval should not be given to that appointment, and the M.F.A. was deputed to prepare a formal resolution, expressive of such opinion & present the same to the Cabinet on Monday Feby 25.

G.W.M. asks to be recognized as Chamberlain refused

Also that Atty General prepare memo of points of law and facts, in re the withdrawal of liquors from the C.H.

Withdrawal of liquors from C.H.

Min Interior presented plan & profile of location of the Oahu railroad for approval of the Cabinet, also resolutions of acceptance by the Co of Charter &c. Consideration over until monday.

Oahu RR location of line

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
Feby 25th Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.
Minutes of Feby 23 read & approved. Min F.A. presented resolutions in re George W. Macfarlane as Chamberlain as directed at the last meeting as follows:

Resolutions in re Geo W Macfarlane as H M^s Chamberlain

"Whereas His Majesty has seen fit to without the consent and against the advice of the Cabinet ~~approve~~ gazette the appointment of of one George W. Macfarlane as his Chamberlain,

And Whereas, In the opinion of the Cabinet the said George W Macfarlane

is not a fit person to be appointed to the said Office, for the following reasons.

1st The said George W. Macfarlane was a notorious participant in the corruptions which prevailed under the administration of the Government previous to the reform movement of June 30th 1887, More especially in connection with the London Loan of 1886.

2d The said George W. Macfarlane was tried by the Supreme Court on a charge of Conspiracy to defraud the Hawaiian Government by the illegal withdrawal of liquors from the Custom House without payment of duties, and upon such trial was duly convicted and sentenced, which conviction and sentence still stand and obtain.

3d The said George W Macfarlane is regarded as hostile, and his appointment to said Office would be prejudicial to the present administration of the Government,

Now therefore. Resolved.

That the Cabinet does not consent to the appointment of George W Macfarlane as His Majesty's Chamberlain, and does not in any manner recognise him as such Chamberlain.

Further Resolved

That the Cabinet declines to pay to George W Macfarlane any money from the appropriation for His Majesty's Chamberlain."

Resolutions adopted

The above preambles & resolutions were unanimously adopted & ordered ~~of~~ upon these minutes

Mr F.A. presented application of Mr W.T. Brigham for Letters of Denization

Denization of W. J. Brigham

and stated that Mr Brigham had been formerly a resident here, & was about to resume his residence for the purpose of writing a history of the Country. Agreed that the petition be granted and letters prepared for His Majesty's signature.

Ltr of H R Armstrong to Min F.A. strong ex Consul Genl at London

Submitted final account sent by H R Armstrong formerly Consul General at London. with letter of S.B.J. Hoffnung Actg Chargé d'affaires there reporting that he had received from His Majesty a Cable despatch and confirmatory letter commanding him "to take no action in respect to Mr Armstrongs removal from Office, such being without His Majestys consent" and asking for further instructions, this letter is in answer to orders from the Foreign Office instructing Mr Hoffnung to notify Her Majestys Government of the removal of Armstrong. Mr Hoffnung also enclosed copy of a letter from Armstrong to Hoffnung stating that he Armstrong had received similar orders from His Majesty, and directing him not to obey the orders of the Foreign Office.

Hoffnung asks further instructions in re Armstrong

Orders of Foreign Office to disregard orders of Foreign Office

Min F.A. to notify H.B.M. Commissioner of Armstrongs removal

It was agreed that the Minister should notify the British Commissioner of the removal of Mr Armstrong, and that Manley Hopkins is now our only Consular representative in London, and that he shall repeat his instructions to Mr Hoffnung and insist upon their being obeyed.

A W Hering claim for Militard equipments

Min F.A. reported that Hackfeld & Co presented bill of A.W. Hering of Bremen against this Govt for Military uniforms & equipments furnished in 1885, by

order of the King through A Hoffnung & Co of London when A Hoffnung was Chargé d'Affaires, in connection herewith M.F.A. read letter of S.B.F. Hoffnung enclosing correspondence at the time of the order. The Minister stated his belief from inquiry that the uniforms arrived here and were distributed among the Kings Staff though to whom he is not informed.

Claim about $710. — the claim is for about $700.

To be referred to the next Legislature — Agreed that the Minister should inform claimants agents that this claim will be recommended for payment to the next Legislature, there being now no appropriation available for this purpose.

Armstrong asks pay for Silver Spade J.A. — In re accounts of Armstrong, He asks to be allowed £20,18, for amount paid by him for a Silver Spade with which Her Majesty Queen Kapiolani planted a tree at Norwich England, and £24-12 pd by him for a visit of himself & Geo Macfarlane Engineer to H.M.S. Dragon at Devonport in 1886, with a view to the purchase of that vessel by this Govt.

Also pay for inspecting an Engine on Lin Man's war

Spade given to Capt Stewart & by him left to City of Norwich — The spade in question was presented by Queen Kapiolani to Capt Stewart who left upon his death is believed to have left the same to the Corporation of the City of Norwich. Agreed that these claims should not be allowed, but that his bill for office expenses & outlay for Education of Hawaiian Youth should be paid, aggregating about $875.

Claims not allowed but paid

Recommending Judge F.S. Lyman 3d Jud Circuit — Mr F.A. also reported letter from Judge F.S. Lyman stating that his Commission as Circuit Judge 3d Jud Circuit expired on the 18th inst. & asking for renewal. Agreed that Commission for new term be prepared & presented to His Majesty for

signature

Privy Council for 27th inst 2 P.M. Pardons &c

Agreed that His Majesty be requested to call a meeting of the Privy Council to consider the petition for commutation of the sentence of Ahopa for murder and petition for ~~Kalolo~~ pardon of Kalolo now under sentence for Manslaughter, such meeting to be held Feby 27th at 2 P.M.

Ladd claims

The matter of the claim of the heirs of the Ladd estate presented by the U.S. Minister Resident was discussed and deferred.

Location & plans Oahu Railroad Pearl River Division approved

The location, maps and charts, and plans for the construction and equipment of the Pearl River Division of the Oahu Steam Railroad submitted to the cabinet on Feby 25th inst were approved.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
Feby 26th

Finance Office 2 P.M. All present

Minutes Feby 25 read and approved

Connect H. F. Glade & others in re Sugar duties

The Cabinet made an appointment with Mr H. F. Glade to meet him and others interested in U.S. tariff legislation at 10 A.M. Thursday 28th inst, to consider what steps, if any, should be taken by this Govt in view of the threatened reduction of sugar duties by the U.S. Congress.

Postal Savings Bank Rules & Regulations

Min Interior submitted & read a Series of Rules & Regulations for the government of the Postal Savings Bank, as provided by Chapter XXXIX Laws of 1888. The same were approved by the Cabinet.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889 Finance Office 10. a.m. All present
Feby 28th Meh Mr Glade, F.A. Schaefer, P.C. Jones,
J.B. Atherton, C.R. Bishop, C.M. Cooke and
J.R. Walker, per appointment made
Feby 26th to discuss what representation
if any can properly be made by this Govt
to the U.S. Govt in regard to the danger
to our planting interests involved in
the proposed reduction of the duties on
Sugar by the U.S. Congress.

Meeting in re U.S. Sugar Duties

It was suggested that in view of the recent
renewal of the reciprocity treaty between these
Islands and the United States, wherein we
made cession of rights in Pearl River Harbor
as an additional consideration for its re-
newed benefits, we might with propriety
make representations to that Govt as to the
prejudicial effect upon our interests of
such reduction.

It was ~~suggested that~~ the sentiment
of the meeting that the Foreign Office should
address our Minister at Washington urging
all available arguments why any large
reduction of duties should not in justice
to this Govt be made, and leave to said
Minister's discretion either to present the
same to the U S Govt, or to make any
other presentations formal or otherwise of
our views in the matter, and that he be
asked to make suggestions as to any steps
which should be taken here to further
our efforts to prevent injury to the interests
of this Country by Congressional action.

Min F.A. invited written suggestions
from the gentlemen present as to the
course to be pursued, and the different
lines of argument to be advanced.

The Meeting adjourned

Jos. Austin
Min For Affairs

1889 Finance Office 2 PM All present
March 5th Minutes read & approved.
Min F A read letters from our
Minister to Japan, dated Feby 18th
Japanese Constitution — in re promulgation of Japanese
Constitution, in re Japanese request
for extension of our Electoral Franchise
Japanese in re to Japanese, and in re proposed
Electoral franchise Treaty revisions by Japan with
other great powers. As to the franchise
that Minister reports that the Japanese
Govt apparently effects no communi-
cation on the subject before the
meeting of our Legislature in May 1890
No further steps to be taken by us in
the matter for the present. As to
Japanese Treaty revisions Treaties, our Minister having been
accredited to the former Treaty convention
claims that his instructions authorized
him to sign such treaty between Japan
& this Kingdom as shall be signed be-
tween Japan and the U.S. and asks
for confirmation of such authority.
Minister to Japan not authorized to sign Treaty — Agreed that Minister Irwin be instructed
that he has neither power or authority
to sign any treaty on behalf of this Govt
in advance of definite instructions after
submission of all proposed provisions.
in re Armstrong inspection of HBMs Dragon — Min F.A. read from Foreign letter press
book date Jany 19 1887 instructions to
Mr A Hoffmann Charge d'Affaires in London
in re selection of a British Gun Boat
which showed Govt authorization
of the inspection of the "Dragon" for which
charge is made in the a/cs of Mr Armstrong
then Consul General. Resolved that such
Claim allowed charge be allowed, & the resolution not
forming resolution to pay it of Feby 25 be repealed.
repealed — Min F.A. submitted partial draft
of private letter to our Minister at

Letters to Min at Washington in re Sugar tariff

Washington, as agreed Feby 28th after discussion agreed that completed draft should be submitted, and that an Official letter should be written to him to urge all in his power such claims as he shall deem useful in preventing injurious U.S. legislation and authorizing the use of the whole or any part of the contents of the private letter, as dictated by his discretion.

Haiku Sugar Co Charter amended

Agreed that the Charter of the Haiku Sugar Co may be amended by reducing the par value of shares from $500- to $100. each.

Col G H MacFarlane

Min Finance reported interview with Col G.H. MacFarlane, in re our late action refusing recognition of his appmt as Chamberlain, Col M announced that he would continue to act as Chamberlain, despite such refusal and take legal steps if necessary to secure his salary.

Japanese on electoral franchise

J.A.

Min Interior read letter from our Minister Resident at Tokio in re extension of our electoral franchise to Japanese showing that the Japanese Govt expects no action on our part before the Legislative session of 1890.

Tax Assessors

Oahu

C A Brown

In re, Appointment of Tax Assessors, Min Finance read list of applicants from the different islands as follows. Oahu C.A. Brown, C.T. Gulick, and F.P. Hastings. Mr Brown was accepted and approved by the Cabinet for appointment.

Hawaii deferred

Hawaii, H.C. Austin, H.P. Wood, C.E. Bond P.H.W. Rop, R.A. Lyman, A B Loebenstein F.E. Atwater, The selection for Hawaii was after discussion deferred till to-morrow.

Maui

H G Treadway

Maui, H.G. Treadway J.H. Hare, L A Andrews, J H Stilling, and W.A. McKay. Mr H G Treadway, the only applicant with native blood was

approved by the Cabinet for appointment.

Kauai Jos R Farley. Kauai. Joseph R. Farley. and J.H. H. Purvis. Mr Farley was approved by the Cabinet for appointment.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jos Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
March 6th Finance Office 2 P.M. Present. Ministers Green. Thurston. & Austin Mr Ashford being engaged in Court.

H A P Carter in re Samoa & also Submarine Cable Min F.A. read a letter from Mr H A P Carter, referring to the Samoan Question and conversations about it with Messrs Bayard U.S. Secretary of State, & Blaine who will probably occupy that position also with Mr Blaine about a cable to California. & that Mr B would favor the laying one by arrangement between the two Governments.

Tax Assessor Hawaii H.C. Austin The appointment of Tax Assessor for Hawaii being considered it was agreed that the Cabinet approve of the appointment of H.C. Austin, the Min F.A. stating that Mr Ashford had requested him to say that he (Ashford) favored H C Austin

Col Griffin letter in re Matthieson & Co's payt of interest on our bonds Min Finance reported a letter from Col J.T. Griffin of London stating that Messrs Matthieson bankers informed him that they had settled the question of commissions on the payment of the interest on our bonds by conceding the terms proposed by Mr Green, also that he (the Min Finance) had not heard further from Matthieson & Co. We regard this as settling the matter at 1 per cent & some slight charges for expenses.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
March 7 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.
Minutes of March 5th & 6th read and approved.

Letter in re Sugar tariff - to Mr Carter

Min F.A. submitted completed draft of letter to Minister Carter in further pursuance of resolution of Feby 28th in re US Sugar Tariff & bounty questions. Agreed that such draft be accepted and approved.

Postal Money Amendment $50. made $100.

Min F.A. submitted proposition from the US Postal Dept to our P.M.G. to Amend the Money Order convention by making the limit of a single Money order $100. it now being $50. Min F.A. instructed to direct our Minister at Washington to conclude the Convention.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
March 9 Finance Office 10-30 A.M. All present

Govt trains on Tramways tracks

Min Interior submitted correspondence with J.G. Gribble in re running trains for the Govt over the tracks of the Tramways Co, including proposition submitted with specifications under which they will consent to such use by the Govt. Agreed that the Min Int be authorized to arrange the matter to his own satisfaction.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs

1889 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.
March 13 Minutes of 7th & 9th read & approved.
Min F.A. reported his purpose to visit
Min F.A. going the volcano leaving here 15th & returning
to Hawaii 27th inst. Min Int authorized on behalf
of the Cabinet to request the opinion of the
Supreme Court Judges on the question
Opinion S.C. whether he can purchase premises for
to be asked in re for roads and streets under Sec 41 of
purchase of lands the Civil Code, independent of and without
conforming to the provisions of Sections
184-5-6 of the Civil Code as now
amended.

Letter from G. Min Fin read letter from G.W. Macfarlane
W Macfarlane asking that Chamberlains salary be paid to
in re Chamberlain J.W. Robertson for certain months therein
and that he G.W.M. had endorsed Robertson
drafts on Min Finance for this purpose.
Agreed that Min Fin shall reply
~~that~~ refusing to recognise G.W.M. as
Chamberlain, or to pay him or any
one on his behalf the salary of said
Office.

Instructions to Atty Genl submitted Resolution as to
Collector Genl instructions to Collector General as to
withdrawal of goods for export as
follows

Resolutions "Whereas abuses have grown out
of the privileges heretofore accorded to
dealers in Spirituous Liquors by reason
of such dealers withdrawing liquors
from the Custom House without pay-
ment of duties under pretense of such
liquors being so withdrawn for the
purpose of being by them exported
and afterwards placing them among
their general stock or otherwise failing
to export the same.
Resolved - That the Collector General

of Customs be instructed to permit no liquors or other goods to be withdrawn from Customs for export, without payment of all import duties thereon, except upon the written statement of the dealer proposing to withdraw the same, or his Attorney or duly authorized agent, showing the purposes for which, the vessel in which and the port to which it is proposed to export such liquors or other goods, which statement shall be sworn to by the person so applying for the withdrawal of the same.

Resolved. That the Collector General be requested to deliver such goods, so withdrawn, only upon such vessel as shall be named in such application, which delivery shall be at the expense of the person so applying."

The foregoing resolutions were adopted.

Atty Genl instructed to proceed with suit of Minister of Finance & heirs of Kamehameha IV in re claim of Govt in Honolulu Hale.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon. Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
March 28 Finance Office 2 PM All present.

Minutes of 13th inst read and approved.

Chamberlain position explained to the King by Atty Genl

Attorney General reported having had a conversation with His Majesty on the 15th inst in re the Chamberlain, wherein he fully explained the position & purpose of the Cabinet in that regard. It was stated by each Member of the Cabinet that no one of them had seen or been asked to countersign a Commission for G.W. Macfarlane as Chamberlain.

Min Finance read a letter from the

Collector General reply to resolutions of Mch 13th

Collector General in reply to resolutions passed March 13th by the Cabinet in re withdrawal of goods for export.

H de Varigny applies for appt in re Exposition at Paris

Min Finance submitted letter from Mr Henri de Varigny M D Sc D, residing in Paris, asking for an Official appointment in connection with the Paris Exposition

Agreed that the matter be submitted to Col Spalding.

Offices for Tax Assessors

In re Offices for the Tax Assessors. Agreed that Min Int should place at the disposal of the Assessor for Hawaii the office now occupied by the Circuit Judge at Hilo.

Charter to the Elele Pub Co

Min Int submitted petition for Charter to the Elele Publishing Co with report of Atty Genl thereon, embracing suggestions and some objections to certain provisions of the proposed charter. Agreed that the Charter be granted if amended as suggested by the Atty Genl except that the Capital stock may in this instance be placed at five dollars per share.

Application of Oahu RR & Co for land

In re Oahu RR & Land Cos application for land near Oahu Prison for RR purposes consisting of 22 acres, Agreed that Minister Interior shall offer such of said land as to the Cabinet shall seem necessary for their RR purposes, not to exceed 4 or 5 acres in addition to right of way free of charge.

J A

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon A Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
April 3d Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.

Kohala Sugar Co Appr for revival of Charter

Min Int submitted petition of the Kohala Sugar Co for extension of their Charter which expired Feby 2d 1888. or read letter from W. R. Castle, claiming the existence of the power in the Min Int to revive the

Charter, read also report of the Atty General in opposition. Agreed that Min Int shall ask the opinion of the Justices of the Sup Court on the matter, submitting to them all data and citations in re.

Submission to Sup Court

Min Int, submitted further proposition from Oahu R R & L Co. with plans of what they need to take from fish pond premises at Kuwili, showing a need for about 10 acres including rights of way. Agreed that the Min Int under the Act shall convey to the Company a beneficial use of the lands designated on the plans.

Oahu R R & L Co. rights of way.

Min F.A. submitted bill from Finance Dept for Coins sent to Paris Exposition $189. Agreed that it be paid out of subscription fund. Also that Min F.A. pay to ~~Col~~ Spalding on his departure for Paris the sum of $1000. from the appropriation for expenses of Foreign Agents, to be used by him in expenses of the Exhibition.

Bill for Coins Paris Exposition

To pay Col Spalding $1000. Exps of Foreign Agents

At 2.35 P.M. Capt John Lee of the condemned bark C.D. Bryant, (forfeited for smuggling opium) accompanied by his Agent J.F. Hackfeld, and Counsel A.J. Hartwell appeared before the Cabinet and Counsel read a petition to the Min Finance to remit the decree of forfeiture in re and do in the premises what is just in equity. Mr Hartwell addressed the Cabinet in support of the petition. The Cabinet took the Matter under advisement

Bark C.D. Bryant petition to remit forfeiture

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.
April 4th Minutes of March 28th & April 3rd read and approved.

Bk C D Bryant deferred — Atty General said in re Bank C. D. Bryant that Mr Aumann asked that consideration of the petition of the owners be deferred as he desires to address the Cabinet on the subject.

W. F. Mossman claim as Tax Assessor for Wailuku — In re Claim & draft of W. F. Mossman for Commissions as Tax Assessor of Wailuku ($1685.09) for payment there is not sufficient appropriation available, Agreed that Min Finance shall in conjunction with Register of Public Accounts sign a Certificate of the correctness of the claim, and accept the draft conditionally on appropriation to be asked for of the next legislature and that the other Ministers will sign approval of such transaction.

Postal Savings Bank deposits — Min Fin reported $604,500. Now in hand from Postal Savings Bank deposits, of which about $400,000. were received during this period being largely in excess of the amount ($320,000. estimated from this source for the entire period, Also that, at the present rate, the $40,000. appropriation for interest on this fund will not be sufficient. After discussion the subject was deferred for further consideration after the next instalment of interest shall have been paid.

Pacific Cable — Min Finance submitted papers rec'd from Maj Wodehouse British Commissioner in re Meeting in London in support of Pacific Cable from Vancouver to Australia via Hawaii & asking favorable consideration by this Govt. Min Fin instructed to convey the most favorable sentiments of

of this Govt. towards the enterprise, and to state that unless the assurances required by law on the part of Dudley Coote were furnished in August next we should try elsewhere.

Tax Report & Assessor & Collector Brown of the first Division Collector of Div asking whether he was entitled to receive old Collector from Maj Gulick ex-Collector the records of the Office. Agreed that Min Finance request Major Gulick to turn the same over to the present Collector, and instruct the present Collector to proceed with the collection of delinquent taxes. Other questions of the Assessor & Collector as to office stationery deputies and their salaries &c &c were discussed and left to the Min Finance to answer.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
April 8 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.

Minutes of April 3^d read and approved.

Letters in re Samoan affairs & U S recipr including a reference to possibilities of the city

Min For Affairs read Confidential letter from our Minister at Washington dated March 19th in re Samoan affairs & U S recipr including a reference to possibilities of the annexation of Hawaii by the U.S.

Also a private letter from same in further discussion of same subject. Also a letter dated March 4th from our Chargé d'Affaires in London stating that the British Ministry had apprised him of its intention to submit to Parliament as part of the Samoan Correspondence a copy of the letter from Minister Gibson dated Jany 18th 1887. to Mr Hoffman in re the sending of Mr Bush as an envoy

from Hawaii to Samoa & other Islands of Polynesia, & requesting our Chargé d'affaires to make any remarks he might think necessary. Mr Hoffman replied reiterating the fact that the Embassy had been recalled from Samoa, & that the present policy of the Administration was one of Non interference in Samoan Affairs. The Minister also read the above mentioned letter of Mr Gibson and a despatch from Minister Godfrey Brown Oct 20th 1887 confirming the recall & the policy of Non interference. After full discussion Agreed that Min F.A. shall communicate ~~with~~ to the British Govt through Mr Hoffman, a definite assurance that this Govt is committed to a policy of strict non-intervention in Polynesian Affairs.

Telegraph Cable Audley Coote

Also agreed that Min For Affairs inform our Minister at Washington, that as soon as practicable by law, this Govt will demand assurances from Mr Audley Coote of the completion of his cable. If satisfactory assurances are not given we will treat with others, and will be prepared to recommend to the Legislature a subsidy of $20,000.— per year for 15 years and a bonus of say $300,000. to secure the construction of a cable to the U.S. As to the suggestion by Mr Blaine to Mr Carter of complete reciprocity with the U.S. and their guarantee of our Autonomy, Min F.A. will reply that this Govt is favorably disposed to such a proposition, and instruct Mr Carter to seek for some

Reciprocity

more definite proposition in re, but that in such case we should desire that spirituous liquors and opium be left subject to duty or refusal by this Govt. It was agreed that nothing should be said of these propositions outside of the Cabinet.

Inter Island Cable — Min F.A. reported that Mr Bartholomew has written that a part of his Inter Island Cable is en route to Vancouver and that the balance is soon expected, and that he hopes to be here not later than May 1st

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
April 9th Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.

Letters to London & Washington — Min F.A. read draft of letter to our Chargé d'Affaires at London (Mr Hoffmeister) as per arrangement of yesterday. Also partial draft of letter to Minister at Washington (Mr Carter) in reply to that of Mr Carter read yesterday. - Drafts approved.

C.D. Bryant in re fine — In re C.D. Bryant. The petition of the owners for the remission of the decree of forfeiture was further considered. The brief of the Owners Counsel was read and the Atty General made an argument on the subject & proposed remitting the penalty & imposing a fine of $5000. agreed to upon the condition that such arrangement be accepted as a final settlement of the case & the owners withdraw their Appeal and pay all costs & expenses.

Col Fred Armstrong — Min F.A. stated that he had no further information respecting the removal of Colonel General Armstrong. Min Interior information received from outside of the Cabinet, to the effect that Mr Armstrong

telegraphed by last mail to S M Damon that he has determined to maintain his position, and persist in his refusal to resign. Min F.A. reported having re-iterated his instructions to Mr Stoffmung to notify the British Govt of Mr Armstrongs removal.

Min F A to gazette the removal of H R Armstrong

It was agreed that the Min F.A. shall advertize the fact of such removal.

National Bonds

Min Fin said that investigation shows that (apart from $87,000. there will be no National bonds that we can call in before 1890.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos^h Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
April 11th Finance Office 11 A.M. All present

Min F.A. reported refusal of the Auditor General to audit a/c for $1000. on the appropriation for Expenses of Foreign Agents, to be paid to Col Spalding, claiming that the appropriation is not for any such purpose.

Auditor Genl refuses to audit a/c for Exps of Foreign Agts

Agreed that the Minister shall try and arrange with Col Spalding to advance this amount from his own means, and promise him that the Cabinet will try to re-imburse him at the earliest opportunity, either after Mandamus proceedings against the Auditor General or by Legislative appropriation.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos^h Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
April 17th Finance Office 2 P.M. All present

Minutes of April 8th 9th & 11th. read and approved.

Opium report required in re captured

Agreed that the Atty Gen shall call on the Marshal for a report of the amounts of opium captured during the present period, together with report as to the disposition of proceeds of same.

Letters from Mr Carter at Washington

Min F.A. read private letter from Mr H.A.P Carter at Washington dated Mar 27/89 discussing prospects of U.S. legislation in re sugar duties, and also the present status of the Samoan question.

Also another letter from same dated March 29. Stating a probability of his leaving San Francisco for this port June 1st.

Carter coming home on a visit

Also another of same date reciting interview with Secretary Blaine, wherein was discussed the effect upon our sugar interests of proposed legislation by the U.S Congress and also the construction of an Ocean cable from the U.S. to this Country.

In re U.S. legislation

Min F.A. reported that of the Chinese going away from time to time not more than ~~three~~ seven percent are providing themselves with return permits.

Chinese return permits

Min F.A. submitted reports from the Col of the Haw^n Volunteers in re articles required to equip the volunteers, and that the Col had, on his own responsibility ordered about $1200. worth of such articles as are necessary to complete the outfit of the Officers of the force up to the service limit. The fact of the retention by certain ex-Officers of the Honolulu Rifles of their equipments and the policy of compelling their return by process of law was discussed, and it was the sentiment of the Cabinet that no such action be taken, but that in future an agreement be required from each member of the force to return on demand all equipments issued to him.

Military Equipments

Equipment authorized — Also agreed that the Min F.A. shall authorize the equipment of the force as outlined in the report of the Colonel.

Rifles to go into Camp — Min F.A. reported that it is in contemplation by the Honolulu Rifles to go into camp at Ewa during the Month of May. plan was approved.

Financial report to the 31st Mar 1889 — Min Finance submitted his report of the Financial transactions of the Govt for the year ending March 31st 1889.

Showing Receipts $ 1,754,753.83—
Expenditures 1,476,574.27—

To redeem Govt bonds $100,000.— There being a large sum of Savings Banks Deposits on hand, in excess of present requirements it was moved and seconded that, The Minister of Finance shall advertize his readiness to redeem at par any outstanding bonds of the Government which may be presented at the Treasury, up to the amount of $100,000.— Carried.

Deputy Tax Collector J D Holt at $125. per Mo — Min Finance read letter from C. A. Brown Tax Collector of Oahu, asking leave to appoint J D Holt as Deputy at a comm of 1½ %. Agreed that the employment of Mr Holt as such Deputy at $125. per month be approved.

Extra Compensation to C T Gulick for Index — Min Finance read petition from Chas T Gulick asking for a further compensation of ½ of 1% upon the amount collected by him as Collector of Taxes for Honolulu. Agreed that Min Finance be authorized to settle with him at ¼ of 1% upon securing from Mr Gulick his Index of persons taxed.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jas A Austin
Min For Affairs

1889 Finance Office 3 P.M. All present.
April 25th Minutes of April 17th read & approved
Min Finance reported having ad-
$100,000 of Bonds advertised for $100,000. of Bonds as per
ad'd for resolution of 17th inst.
Min For Affairs reported information
H M talks of from the Chief Justice that His Majesty
going to Paris had asked his opinion as to H. M. taking
a trip to Paris for his health, and the
In re appointment of a Regent or Council of
Regent Regency. H.R.H Liliuokalani being spoken
of as Regent. After discussion it was
agreed that if H M shall make
such a proposition to the Cabinet
no objection will be made.
Min Int presented petitions for
Charters of Charters as follows.
Incorporation The Maui Telephone Co. Granted.
The German Benevolent
Society of Honolulu. Granted.
The Waiakea Mill Co Granted.
The Hanalei Sugar Mill Co, this
will be granted when amendments
suggested by the Atty Genl are incorporated.
Min Finance presented request
A G Cleghorn leave of absence of Hon A G Cleghorn Collector General
for a vacation from May 10. to June
30 to take Princess Kaiulani to Cala
fornia, en route to England, where
she goes for education. agreed to.
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
April 29 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.
Minutes of April 25th read and approved
Min For Affairs, reported having ar-
J G ranged in accordance with request from
the King in reply to his letter to Min Fin

Regency of HRH Liliuokalani during absence of H. M.

a Royal Proclamation of HRH Liliuokalani as Regent during the Kings absence from the Country. Publication of the document being deferred until H M can set the date of his departure.

Parcels Post Charges

Min Fin submitted question whether under Parcels Post Convention with the U.S. there should be any charge made for inward entry, or commissions, on parcels arriving here. It was upon motion agreed that no inward entry, or commissions should be charged upon such parcels.

Delinquent Taxpayers in re

Min Fin submitted letter from Collector C A Brown asking advice as to some points relating to imposition of the penalty of 10 % on delinquent taxpayers, as to the time when taxes become payable etc etc. All of which had been answered verbally.

Assessor of Hawaii in re taxation of Kamehameha School lands.

Min Fin, submitted questions from Assessor of Hawaii (1) As to taxation of Kamehameha School lands, with bill for $1608.10 for taxes thereon 87 & 88.

Kings lands conveyed to Trustees

(2) As to whether lands conveyed by the King to Trustees for the benefit of his Creditors are taxable. The opinion of the Cabinet is that this property is taxable & Atty Genl reported negotiations in progress for submission of this question to the Courts.

Queens property not taxable

(3) If the Queens property is taxable, Agreed that Atty Genl when in Hilo (where he goes tomorrow to attend Court) will instruct the Assessor.

Auditor Genl letter

Min Fin submitted letter from the Auditor General as to auditing of acts before payment. No action taken as the Minister will attend to the

matter.

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
May 8th Finance Office 2 P.M. present Ministers Green, Thurston and Austin
Minutes of April 29th read and approved

Hoffmann Sydney — in re Samoa

Min F.A. read letter from A Hoffmann at Sydney, also extract from the Sydney Morning Herald of April 8. 1889, in which Mr Hoffmann poses as "Ambassador from Honolulu". Mr H. requests that the reports of Gibson be sent him in order that he may disseminate information in relation to the efforts of this Govt to in behalf of the Samoan people. Agreed that Min F.A. shall write forbidding him to make any representation on behalf of this Govt and directing him to refrain from representing himself as an officer of this Govt at the Colonies.

H A P Carter in re Cable

Min F.A. read letter from Mr H A P Carter in re Cable from San Francisco, stating that he had communicated with the Western Union Telegraph Co. and was to see them again, that prospects were not good unless the line could be prolonged to Japan, That the Japanese Minister was to write to his Govt to learn what they would do to encourage the enterprise.

Paris Exposition purchase of Pavillion

Min For Af read letters from Colfpalding at S.F. and A Houle at Paris, stating that no floor space could be procured and that Houle had bought a Pavillion constructed for the Govt of Haiti, at a price of 12,000 francs. Agreed that action should be approved, and upon the

return of the Attorney General, action be taken to compel the Auditor General to audit a/cs of the M. F. A for Expenses of Foreign Agents.

Chinese Cemetery, incorporation — Min Int, presented petition from Yee King Tong, alias Panoa Chinese Cemetery for incorporation & stated that the Atty Genl had approved the papers Granted.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
May 29 Finance Office 2 P.M. All present

Minutes of May 8th read and approved.

Kinnolsen & Kauai Leasehold int for taxation — Min Fin submitted matter of the liability of Mr V Knudsen of Kauai upon his leasehold interest in Kekaha wherein he sublets to other parties. referred to Atty Genl for consideration.

Mandamus G W Macfarlane as Chamberlain — In re Mandamus to compel payment of salary of Chamberlain to G.W. Macfarlane. A petition having been filed agreed that Atty Genl shall defend the Min Finance.

Tax Assessors Bd of Equilization — Min Fin reported the meeting of the newly appointed Tax Assessors as a Board of Equilization, successful conference in re.

Postal Savings Bank Deposits — Min Fin brought up for further discussion the subject of Postal Savings Bank deposits stating that only $218,000. of Loan money was in the Treasury April 1st in excess of the statutory requirement of $50,000. to be held against deposits. That about $615,000. of such funds may be required to meet the demands of the Appr Bill leaving about $192,000. already expended.

Decoration Day — Agreed that tomorrow shall be observed as a half holiday.

Hon W C Parke's funeral

Agreed to close at noon on friday on afc of the funeral of Hon W.C. Parke who died this morning. Mr Parke having been a faithful officer of this Government for 34 years.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
June 5

Finance Office 2 P.M. All present.

H P Baldwin present for Hamakua Ditch Co, renewal

Mr H.P. Baldwin was present and spoke in support of a petition which was read by the Min Int from the Hamakua Ditch Co of Maui for an extension of the lease of certain Water rights granted them by the Government under instrument dated 1876. and amended in 1878. It was represented that whereas only about 7 years of the original term remain unexpired, yet the flumes and pipes of the Company require extensive repairs and renewals, and the Co does not care to incur the heavy expense of making them unless they can be assured of an extension of their lease.

Minutes of May 29th read and approved

H R Armstrong Silver Spade disallowed.

Min F.A. read a letter from Mr H.R. Armstrong asking a reconsideration of the decision not to pay for the Spade presented by Her Majesty to the Corporation of Norwich England. Agreed that Mr A shall be informed the the decision is adhered to.

Offices 2 Bat clothed

Min F.A. reported that all Officers of the 2d Batallion except those of the Queens own have been equipped with undress uniform &c. Also that a request has been made by a Committee of the Queens

Request for the removal of the 1st & 2d Lieuts of that Co. One for drunkenness and fine Lunes on the other for removal from town.

Deferred for further communication between the Minister & the Co.

Bark C.D. Bryant in re

In re Bark C. D. Bryant. Agreed that if no answer is received to the proposal of commutation by noon of the 7th inst, the offer is to be considered as withdrawn. The Atty Genl to so notify the Defts Attys.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
June 19th Foreign Office 11 A.M. Present Ministers Thurston, Ashford & Austin.

Bark C D Bryant compromise accepted

Atty General reported the acceptance by the owners of the C.D. Bryant of the offer of remission of forfeiture of that vessel upon payment of fine of $5,000. + Costs.

J H Stelling Denization refused, he being eligible for Naturalization

In re petition of Jno H Stelling for Letters of Denization as a means of qualifying him for holding office.

Resolved, that whereas Mr Stelling is eligible for naturalization the petition be not granted.

Bromide & Transferrotype paper

Min F.A. read letter from the U.S. Minister Resident, enclosing letter & copy protest from A. W. Richardson against the collection of duties upon Bromide & Transferrotype paper imported from the U.S. Agreed that this matter shall rest until the U.S. Minister can communicate with his Govt as to Treasury rulings in re.

Waimea, Kauai Liquor license

In re Waimea Kauai Liquor saloon license. Min Int submitted large petitions against the renewal of this license, and stated that Messrs Macfarlane had made

contra representations, Agreed that the Minister should decline to renew the license.

Union Ice Co Hamakua & So Kohala Telephone & Telegraphic Co Portuguese Benev Soc of St Antonio

Mr Ist submitted petitions for Charters to the Union Ice Co. Hamakua and South Kohala Telephone & Telegraphic Co. Sociedade Benificente Portugueza de San Antonio de Hawaii, all of which had been reported favorably by the Atty Genl, All granted with slight amendments.

Pacific Cable Co Charter

2 P.M. Petition was read asking for Charter of Incorporation for the Pacific Cable Co. which was considered and agreed to be granted when amended in some minor respects.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
July 16th Foreign Office 11 A.M. Present Ministers Thurston, Ashford, and Austin. Minutes of June 19th read and approved.

Armstrong again

Min F.A. reported having communicated with the British Govt through Maj Wodehouse in re their attitude as reported by our Chargé d'Affaires Hoffing as to the right of this Govt to dismiss Consul General Armstrong without the concurrence, or against the objections of the King, & it was agreed that this matter shall rest till that Govt is heard from.

Paris Exposition Col Spalding

Min F.A. reported letters from Col J.J. Spalding, as to Paris Exposition, that Min F.A. has paid to Col Spalding $300.— & to Mr Houle $1000.— and that they have expended upon this ofc among other the following items, Pavillion $2400.—

Guards $300. Fittings &c $250. Also that the bill for freights exceeds $700. for the payment of which money is here in bank. & that when freight is paid the amount collected on subscriptions will be exhausted. The Auditor General refusing to audit draft on the appropriation for expenses of Foreign Agents. it is thought best to request Col Spalding to stand in the breach until all Mapary outlays can be re-imbursed either by public subscriptions or Legislative appropriation.

Queens Own Co 2 Bat H Vols Officers to be dismissed.

In re Queens Own Co. 2d Bat Haun Vols Min F.A. reported a refusal of the Comd Officers to respond to orders from the Min F.A. Also submitted correspondence concerning special meeting of that Co and its unauthorized election of temporary officers. Agreed upon motion that the Commissioned Officers of that Co be removed for inattention to their duties, and for the further reason in the case of Capt Rosa, that he is in contempt of the orders of his superior Officer.

Treaty with Japan

Min F.A. submitted draft of proposed Treaty with Japan which was read and discussed. and action was deferred for further consideration after we shall have received the text of the Treaty between Japan & the United States Govt.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs

1889 Foreign Office 10 A.M.

July 24th Ministers all present including Mr Samuel M Damon who had been appointed Minister of Finance upon the resignation of Hon W. L. Green on the 22d of July inst.

S M Damon Min Finance

Minutes of July 16th read and approved.

Chairman of meetings of Cabinet

The matter of the selection of some member of the Cabinet to act as leader or premier was discussed. It was the opinion of the Cabinet that no importance should attach to such selection further than to make the Member selected the Chairman or presiding officer of the informal meetings of the Cabinet. Upon this understanding Mr Thurston Min Int was unanimously selected as Chairman.

Chinese return Permits

Min For Af submitted the matter of the construction of the law (Chap XVI Laws of 1888) limiting the time for the use of return Chinese permits issued prior to Mar 1st 1888. to July 1st 1889. and reported his correspondence with our Consul General at Hong Kong. There are now outstanding about 1790 permits dated prior to March 1st 1888. and that 324 have been issued since that date of which 47 have been returned within the time limited therein. It was thought unnecessary to take any definite action in the matter.

Canadian Consul General Anderson resigns and J Enoch Thompson appointed.

Min F.A. read letter from Consul General C. Elliott Anderson of Canada resigning his office on account of failing health, & recommending John Enoch Thompson as his successor. also letter from Mr Thompson applying for the place with strong endorsements. It was agreed

that the King be requested to commission Mr Thompson.

Queens Own — In re Officers of the Queens Own, Min F.A. reported having suspended action looking to their removal as per resolution of July 16th in view of the disturbed conditions attending the so-called Wilcox Revolutionary movement. It was agreed that the Minister should give the two Lieuts a further opportunity to resign, and should remove Capt Rosa, also remove the two Lieuts in case they neglect to resign promptly.

Paris Exposition Col Spalding — Min F.A. read personal letters written by him to Col Spalding in re (among other things) arrangement for payment expenses of the Paris Exhibition by Col. S. to be repaid by Legislative appropriation or by subscription. Also read reply to that portion of Col Spaldings letter referring to representations made by Mr Hoffmann to him. Correcting errors in such representations.

Hoffmann's representations to Col Spalding corrected

Charter for the Ka Hui Kalepa Hawaii — Min Interior submitted petition for a Charter to Ka Hui Kalepa Hawaii which had been recommended by the Atty Genl. Agreed to grant the Charter with some amendments as per memo attached.

Wilders RR Hilo & Hamakua redevivus — Min Interior read letter dated June 21 1889 from the Administrators of the Estate of Saml. G. Wilder asking if the Govt would now carry out the contracts (since lapsed) for the payment of subsidies, grant of rights of way &c in aid of the construction of the Hilo & Hamakua Railway. Also read draft of his proposed reply indicating the willingness of the Govt to abide by the

proposed grants of land, rights of way &c, but to pay subsidy only on condition of the issue of Capital Stock of the proposed Company to the Govt to represent such subsidy.

G.W. Macfarlane claims pay as Chamberlain

Min Fin submitted letter from the Attys of Geo W. Macfarlane in re the payment to him of the Salary appropriated for the Chamberlain. It was agreed that the Minister should reply declining to pay such salary on the grounds that no evidence in support of Macfarlanes assertion of appointment as Chamberlain has been presented. And that G. W. M. has not performed the duties of the Office at any time since his pretended appointment.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jos^h Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889 July 25

Wundenberg & Poor in consultation Postal Savings Bank Deposits

Foreign Office 11 A.M. All present. Present also P.M. Genl Wundenberg & Mr H.F. Poor Postal Svgs Bank Clerk by invitation.

Consultation was had upon the proposal to reduce the interest on deposits in the Postal Svgs Bank. Min Finance reported that the amount now due depositors on call is about $810,000. and that there 1289. depositors of $100. or less. 662 of from $100. to $500. 185 of from $500. to $1,000. and 180 of more than $1000. The Min recommended a reduction of interest to 4½% to take effect Nov 1st 1889.

Mr Wundenberg expressed the opinion that in view of the large amount of capital seeking investment it would be safe to reduce the rate of interest, and

that such reduction would not diminish the amount of deposits. He also suggested whether it would be advisable to make the reduction apply only to deposits of more than $1,000. After full discussion it was

Postal Savings Bk Interest reduced from Nov 1 1889

Resolved – That on and after the 1st day of November 1889 the rate of interest to be paid on Postal Savings Bank Deposits shall be four and one half per cent per annum, and that notice thereof shall be given immediately.

Oahu R & L Co change of terminus Ewa Division

Min Int submitted proposal from the O.R.&L.Co. to change the plan of terminus of the Ewa Division, from the Fish Market to a point near the junction of King St & Prison Road. Plan approved.

Pictures of Pearl River to be sent to Washington

It was agreed that certain paintings owned by B. F. Dillingham which he is willing to loan for the purpose, shall be sent at Govt Expense to Washington to be hung in Congressional Library.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889
July 31st

Foreign Office 9 A.M. All present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved also minutes of the last Cabinet Council.

Wilcox Insurrection

Min For Affairs presented several questions for consideration which were taken in order, as follows. Shall Wilcox be tried by Court or by Court Martial. Min For Af. advises that we consult with the Judges of the Supreme Court. & afterwards if necessary with the foreign representatives. The Atty General said that the only question was as to the authority for

a Court Martial, and he was not inclined to question the authority too closely. Min Int & Min Fin expressed the same feeling.

Military Men consulted.

It was agreed to consult with certain Military men, and by invitation Messrs Col V. Ashford, Maj Hebbard, Capt Fisher, Capt McLeod, Judge Hartwell & W. A. Kinney came in. It was found to be the general opinion that as Martial law had not been declared, no authority existed for a trial by Court Martial. The question of having a special term of the Supreme Court was discussed.

Judges Sup Ct consulted

The Judges of the Supreme Court then came in & Met the Cabinet. The opinion of each of them (except Judge Dole who was not prepared to express an opinion) was that no authority exists for a trial by Court Martial. As to trial by Special term it was thought that as 20 days must elapse before it could be held, and that would bring the time so much nearer to the regular term in October, it was not worth while to call one. and Judge Judd remarked that he could draw a good reliable Jury for that term. The Judges then retired & the Cabinet passed the following resolution.

Resolution

"Resolved that the following course in substance be pursued in re the prosecution of the rioters of the 30th of July.

1st That Wilcox & Duman be prosecuted for Treason

2d That the other leaders and more responsible persons be prosecuted for conspiracy.

3d That the 30 who surrendered to Lt R. Parker, and others who appear to have been dupes shall eventually be taken

as evidence, or allowed to go on their own recognizances

4th That for the present the charge of treason shall be entered against all in order to prevent bailing.

5th That the charge be made as soon as possible, say tomorrow.

Adjourned for luncheon.

Cabinet met again at 2 P.M.

Exequator H.W. Severance U.S. Con. Genl

The Cabinet asked for a special meeting with His Majesty, to secure his signature to the exequator of Mr H.W. Severance as U.S. Consul General which he has thus far failed to sign, though the American Minister Resident is anxious that it be done so that Mr Severance may relieve Mr Putnam tomorrow.

Telegraph Cable. Tug Elen.

In re use of the Govt tug Elen to assist in laying the Inter Island Cable, Mr Bartholomew the electrician being desirous of having the Elen for this service, it was agreed that if upon examination it be found that her boiler is all right for the service, he may have such use of her upon payment for the coal used by her, and of the excess of payments over receipts for such harbor towage as may be required which the Elen is absent on telegraphic service.

The Cabinet then adjourned, to go to the Boat House & meet His Majesty.

His Majesty signed the Exequator.

Jon. Austin
Min For Affairs

1889
Aug 5th

Foreign Office 9.15 A.M. All present.
The Cabinet being apprised that certain of the insurrectionists have been charged with conspiracy in the Police Court, contrary to the resolution of the Cabinet adopted July 31st that all should at first be charged with treason, & contrary to instructions of the Atty Genl, and that some of them have been released on bail including Capt Kakalaoi, Kahanamui, & Mohaulu, it is agreed that they be re-arrested on a charge of treason but not until after the meeting of the Cabinet with the King today at 12 M.

The Justices of the Supreme Court having replied to a letter sent them by the Cabinet on the 3d inst requesting their opinion upon the constitutionally of our demand upon the King as follows.

Statement of principles

"Before going further the Cabinet desire a thorough understanding with Your Majesty upon the following point viz. The Government in all its departments must be conducted by the Cabinet who will be solely and absolutely responsible for such conduct.

Your Majesty shall in future sign all documents and do all acts which, under the laws or the Constitution require the signature or act of the sovereign when advised so to do by the Cabinet, the Cabinet being solely and absolutely responsible for any signature of any document or act so done or performed by their advice." And the opinion

Sup Ct Justices support the Statement

given by the said Justices supporting the position taken by the Cabinet throughout, it was agreed that we again [illegible] the King at no[illegible] to-day. In the mean time

the King has sent for the Chief Justice to advise him.

Foreign Rep's in accord

Min Foreign Affairs reported that several of the Foreign representatives have expressed themselves in accord with the action of the Cabinet thus far in their relations with the King.

Removal of Capt J.P. Kahalewai

As to the removal of Capt Kahalewai as Commander of the Kings Guard. It was agreed that the papers of removal be prepared to remove him and place Lieut. R.P. Waipa in command, and hold them until after our interview with H.M.

Foreign Rep's visit the King

It was further reported that Messrs Merrill & Wadehouse, American & English Representatives had visited the King on the 3rd inst, and that he had informed them that he had submitted the matter in dispute to the Justices of the Sup Court and should abide their decision.

Programme

As to the programme of our meeting it was agreed that the Min F.A. shall present our case to the King by reading the opinion of the Justices & giving him a copy. & shall then ask if he does now assent to our demands. If such assent be expressed, we will then present the Commission of Col Ashford for signature and advise him to sign it. If signed, we will inform His Majesty that we propose to reduce the Palace Ball so that it cannot be used as a fort, leaving a suitable fence. Next that we propose to remove today from the Palace and Barracks all munitions of War except the infantry equipment of the Kings Guard. Next, that in view of the attitude of Capt Kahalewai on the 30th of July we have removed him

from the command of the Household Troops. It was that we propose to issue a card of thanks to those who participated in the defeat of the insurgents. It was agreed that in case of the Kings refusal to accede to our position, we shall at once order out our forces and invest the Palace and remove all Munitions of War therefrom & from the Barracks, as a preliminary to further action.

Foreign Reps to see the King again

Messrs Merrill & Wodehouse were then announced & suggested that they should go to the King and inform him that they are cognizant of the opinion of the Sup. Ct and urge upon him the necessity of abiding by the advice of his Ministers. They accordingly went over to the Palace. Minister Damon having been invited to meet the King at 11 a.m. left for that purpose.

Cabinet Comments

At noon the Cabinet went to the Palace & met His Majesty who accepted the situation and apologized for his warm words on the 5th inst. Our programme was carried out except that our intention to reduce the Palace Wall was not mentioned to the King, as a special request that we should not do so today had been made to Mr Damon by Messrs Merrill & Wodehouse.

Order to Lieut Parker to take command of Kings Guard & deliver to the Marshal the Munitions of War

An Order from the Min F.A. was issued to Lieut Parker to take command of the Kings Guard. An Order was also issued to Lieut Parker to deliver to the Marshal Soper all Military Munitions at the Palace and Barracks except 62 rifles & the officers swords of the Kings Guard & 20 rounds of rifle ammunition per man. The Marshal was sent for & instructed to make his search complete

and remove the articles taken to the Police station and place them under guard.

The Cabinet then adjourned,

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
Aug 6th Foreign Office 2^hs P.M. All present

More arms taken to the Palace

Discussion was had as to the policy of again searching the Palace for arms said to have been carried in there this morning by natives.

Palace Wall removal of

It was the opinion of the Cabinet that a start at the removal of the Palace wall should be made during the present week. The Min For Af. will see the U.S. Minister & explain the necessity of of moving in the matter at once.

Reduction of Kings Guard in re

As to reduction of the Kings Guard agreed that the Cabinet (Atty General intending to leave for Kauai tonight) shall ask Lieut Waipa to meet them tomorrow at 9.30 A.M. and the subject shall then be considered

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
Aug 7th Foreign Office 9.30 A.M. Present Ministers Thurston, Damon & Austin. Atty Gen gone to Kauai. Present also Lieut Waipa Commandant of the Kings Guard.

Explanation of more arms taken to Palace

Lieut Waipa explains that the men who carried guns into the Palace yesterday morning were some of the guard who had left their arms at the Boat House whom he sent to get them so as to be ready for the parade to receive the French Admiral yesterday.

Discussion as to the reduction of the Kings Guard, shows a requirement of three relief of 1 Sergt 1 Corporal & 7 Men each making 27 in all. decided to leave 30 enlisted men with 1 Captain and 1 Lieutenant.
Lieut Waipa went for & brought an enlistment paper which is to be translated.
It was agreed that Mr Damon shall see H.M. and inform him that we intend to reduce the Guard as above, Also to reduce the Palace Wall to the height of about 3'6"
Also agreed that the 2d Battalion be disbanded, and Adjutant Wonds letter published if he does not object.
The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
Aug 13th Foreign Office 9.45 A.M. All present
Minutes of Meetings of July 31. Aug 5.6 & 7. read and approved. Also Minutes of Cabinet Council of Aug 5.

In re Kings Guard Min Int reported that Lt Waipa since the conference of Aug 7. had expressed a wish for such a force in the Kings Guard as to allow a squad of 21 men for saluting. Min Fin stated that upon reporting the proposed reduction of the Kings Guard, H M suggested that they all be dismissed. It was agreed that ~~the~~ an order be issued to the Commandant that no orders be recognised except such as come from the Foreign Office, and that no unauthorized detachments of men from regular duty be permitted. It was agreed that the Min F.A. shall confer with Lt Waipa today as to the Members of the Guard to be retained, and submit

the result of such conference to the Cabinet.

Disbanding the 2d Battalion. Certain Members to retain their uniforms & arms

In re disbandment of the second Battalion. It is the opinion of the Cabinet that the Officers and others of that command who reported for duty on the 30th of July be allowed to retain their uniforms, & the Officers their side arms,

Commissions of Officers 1st Bat

Min For Af. reported the Commissions of the Officers of the 1st Battalion which had not been issued, as ready for signature, and that H. M. had promised to sign them.

Offer to by Messrs Bishop & Co. $100,000. Hawn Bonds at par

Min Fin reported that he had instructed Messrs Bishop & Co. to order the purchase of $100,000. worth of Hawaiian Bonds of 1886. at par, and he submitted for signature by the Ministers a guarantee to reimburse Bishop & Co for advances Commissions and interest in this behalf. Guarantee signed.

In re removal of Paris Exhibit to Bremen

Min F.A. reported that Hon Paul Isenberg through Col Spalding, and also through Mr H. F. Glade applied for leave to remove the Hawaiian Exhibit from Paris at the close of the Exhibition to Bremen for an exhibition to be held there in June 1890. he agreeing to return them from Bremen to Honolulu freight paid. Agreed that a notice to Exhibitors shall be published that such removal shall be made unless objected to by Exhibitors.

In re Hon Paul Isenberg as Chgé d'Affaires to Germany.

It was further agreed that the Cabinet will favor the appointment of Hon Paul Isenberg as Chargé d'Affaires to Germany, if it is found that such

appointment will be acceptable to the German Government.

Re Chinese aggression — An exchange of views was had on the Chinese question & it was agreed that we should meet some of the opponents of Chinese aggression & discuss the situation to see if a satisfactory agreement can be arrived at. Min Int will see Mr Kinney & others & report to the Cabinet.

OR & L. Co. Appn for Waterfront — Min Int reported a proposition from the Oahu R. & L. Co. for exclusive grant for 20 years of the right to use certain Water front on the Iwilei side of the harbor for Wharf purposes &c. Agreed that the Min Int shall draft a reply and submit the same to the Cabinet tomorrow.

The Cabinet then Adjourned.

Jon Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889

Aug 14th — Foreign Office 9.40. A.M. All present. Minutes of Meeting Aug 13th read & approved.

Prosecution of Rebels — Atty Genl submitted the matter of the prosecution of the rebels, as to who shall committed for treason, and who for lesser crimes. It was agreed that for purposes of committal the following be charged with Treason — leaving the selection of witnesses from among them to be made hereafter. viz Wilcox, Loomens, Poepoe, Boyd, Markham, Kaaha, Makaula, Alex Smith Kahananui, Makulani and Kakalewai.

HA Pl Contr to be confirmed with in re US Treaty — Min F.A. reported that Lieut Waipa is ordered to furnish list of Kings Guard to select from for retention this afternoon. Also that within a day or two he will have a conference with Minister Carter

to formulate proposals in re supplementary Treaty with the U.S.

International Cable notice to Audley Coote to furnish assurances of completion

Agreed that by the next steamer to Australia the Min Finance shall require from Mr Audley Coote assurances of the completion of a submarine electric cable in accordance with Sec 2 Chap XXVII Laws of 1887.

Portuguese 500. Coming

Japanese 1100. Coming

Min Int reported that Messrs H. Hackfeld & Co had advised him that 500. Portuguese laborers will leave their homes in September for this Country Also that about 1100 Japs will sail hither in October & probably others in December.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
Aug 15th Foreign Office 2 P.M. All present.

Taxing Leaseholds Rule

Min Fin submitted proposition to admin Assessors to assess leasehold interests except where circumstances require a different rule, on the basis of one years rental for each four years and fraction thereof up to twenty years. Agreed to.

Men of the 2d Battalion who were faithful

Min F.A. submitted list of members other than Commissioned Officers of the 2d Battalion who having been loyal on the 30th of July shall be included in the special order among those who shall be permitted to retain uniforms & equipments upon the dissolution of the Battalion. Agreed to with three exceptions of such as were in the Palace yard &c.

Kings Guard men to retain

Min F.A. also submitted list of 31 men to be retained in the Kings Guard. Adopted & agreed that the order shall be issued tomorrow. also special order to ac-

company the order of reduction, to prevent detachment of the men from duty as soldiers with written permission from the Min F.A.

Audley Coote Telegraph Cable

A draft of letter ~~from~~ to Audley Coote as per resolution of yesterday was read and agreed to.

Extension of U.S. Treaty

Min F.A. read pencil memo of basis of extension of Treaty with the U.S. as suggested by Mr H.A.P. Carter. It was thought best to ask Mr Carter to make a draft of the text of a Treaty upon the bases suggested, & then we will meet with him and discuss it.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889.

Aug 19th Foreign Office 10. A.M. All present.

Hui Kalaeaina pulings on Maui & Hawaii

Atty Genl read letters from Members of the police force on Maui and Hawaii relating to the extent on those Islands of branches of the Hui Kalaeaina organized with the purpose of overturning the present Ministry and constitution, which letters were discussed. Minutes of meeting of Aug 15, read and approved.

Requisition of B^d of Immigration to admit Ding Choc Tai

Min For Af submitted requisition from the Board of Immigration for a permit admitting one ~~Ding~~ Ding Choc Tai to this Kingdom under subsection 2 of Section 5 of Chapter XXVIII of the Laws of 1887. this requisition being based upon the petition of Wing Wo Chan & Co. Moved and carried that the Cabinet do not deem it advisable and beneficial to the industrial or agricultural interests of the Kingdom to grant this petition, and therefore do not concur in the

granting of such permit.

Min Fin submitted the question of the cancellation of redemption of silver certificates with gold, under Sec 3 Chapter XXXVI of the Law of 1886, and proposed cancelling $40,500. of such certificates now in the Treasury and taking that amount of silver from the Reserve fund and placing it in the Treasury. He showed the following figures. Total certificates outstanding $240,500. of which $100,000. were issued upon deposit of 25c pieces, and $140,500. deposit of dollars and half dollars which are now all held as a deposit to secure these certificates, Cash in the Treasury $383,000. of which $85,610. are certificates, $33,000. silver, and the balance gold ($264,390.)

Silver Certificates

J.A.

"Resolved, That the Minister of Finance be requested to cancel silver certificates now held in the Treasury as cash, to the amount of $40,500. and to take from the Silver certificate reserve an equal amount and place it in the general cash fund of the Treasury. and that the Minister shall report to the Cabinet when this shall be completed."

$40,500. to be cancelled

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889
August 21 Foreign Office 2 P.M. All present. Minutes of Aug 19th read & approved. Min Fin reported having carried out the resolution of Aug 19th by the cancellation of $40,500. of Silver Certificates. & placing in the general fund $40,500. of silver from the Certificate reserve.

Cancelled $40,500. of Silver Certificates

Mr Pratt Registrar of Public Accounts came in by invitation to discuss road tax funds.

Road Taxes in re Assessors to report Sept 30th

He explained the difficulties resulting from having Road Boards draw in advance of final returns from Assessors. It was agreed that the Min Fin shall instruct the Assessors to report specially and remit on Sept 30th the amounts collected for Road Tax to that date, and that the Registrar of Public Accounts shall then notify the several Road Boards of the amounts to their credit respectively.

In re Silver coins and atto. receiving some of them

Min Fin reported that of the original Hawaiian Coinage there were $125,000. in Quarter dollars, of which only $25,000. had been paid out, leaving $100,000. in the Treasury. Also that there were originally $25,000. in dimes which were nearly all gone, and that there is quite a demand for small coins. It was agreed that when the Atty Genl goes to the Coast he shall inquire at the U.S. Mint in S.F. upon what terms we can have the quarters recoined into dimes and half dimes.

Percentage on Japs wages Kilauea Plant behind in payments.

A Complaint from the Japanese Consul General was made & a letter read from the Kilauea Sugar Co. read showing that the Contract to deposit a percentage of the wages of their Jap laborers had not been complied with, and that nearly $3,000. is in arrears. Referred to Min Interior to take such action as will enforce the contract.

Oahu R&L Co. wharf privileges &c

Min Int read draft of reply to Oahu R&L Co. in re Wharf privileges, rights of way &c as per their letter of July 26th submitted to the Cabinet meeting of Aug 13th. The reply proposes to grant them the privilege of

improving, building wharves etc etc upon the premises shown in their plans, and the free use thereof for the term of ten years, subject to the right of the Govt to take same at any time upon 90 days written notice and the payment of the cost of improvements less certain deductions more particularly set forth in the reply. Approved.

Brig Consuelo libeled for Smuggling

The Matter of the Brigantine Consuelo libeled for smuggling opium was discussed. Atty Genl reported that the Supreme Court had overruled the Defts Demurrer. The members of the Cabinet expressed their views as to the amount of fine which should be made as a compromise & the matter was deferred for further consideration.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin,
Min For Affairs.

1889
August 22 Foreign Office 2.15 P.M. All present.

Minutes of Aug 21st read and approved.

Consuelo again proposal $2,000.

The matter of the Consuelo deferred from yesterday was again discussed, and the Cabinet agreed that if the owners shall propose a settlement of the matter for $2000. they paying all costs, such proposition will be accepted by the Govt.

Treaty with U.S. proposals for extension

It is proposed to ask Mr Carter to meet the Ministers tomorrow at 9-30 A.M. to discuss the proposed new Treaty with the U.S.

Kona Sugar Co Charter granted

Min Int submitted petition for Charter for the Kona Sugar Co. passed.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889 August 23 — Foreign Office 9-30 A.M. All present. By appointment Mr H. A. P. Carter met with us to discuss the proposed New Treaty with the U.S. The draft of the Treaty as prepared by Mr Carter was taken up and discussed clause by clause, by agreement some verbal amendments were inserted in the text and the matter deferred for further consideration.

U.S. Treaty

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min for Affairs.

1889 Aug 27th — Foreign Office 10-40 A.M. All present. The matter of the extradition of Richard E Taylor alias Frank Chandon was brought up. Min for Affairs read requisition from the U.S. Minister Resident for surrender of said person and stated that he has been arrested and committed for extradition by the Sup Court, and that he is about to issue a warrant for the surrender of the man under Sec 449 of the Civil Code.

Extradition of Rich^d E Taylor for Forgery

Min for Affairs reported the presentation by the French Commissioner of a circular from the French Foreign Office asking for tenders for the establishment of a steamship line between Papaete (Tahiti) and either Samoa or Honolulu to connect with the steamers from San Francisco to Sydney. Also that the Honolulu route would be preferred in case of their obtaining some aid by way of subsidy from this Government. The Min stated that he had agreed with the Commissioner for the Cabinet to meet him and Mr H. G. Irwin to discuss what

Steamer line to Tahiti

can be done to secure this connection to Honolulu.

Chinese in re Constitutional Amendment & Extra Session of Legislature

Min Int brought up the subject of a Chinese Constitutional Amendment, and submitted the programme of Mr Kinney to call the Legislature together and submit an amendment as a Cabinet Measure; the two leading features of that programme being 1st to restrict all future comers among the Chinese to labor in the production of rice and sugar, and 2d, that any legislation hereafter passed in reference to Chinese shall be valid if passed by a two thirds majority of the Legislature. The Cabinet discussed the project of such Extra Session together with the general sentiment in relation to Chinese restriction. It was the unanimous opinion that no extra session of the Legislature is justified by existing circumstances.

Taxes

After some discussion of the question of taxation the Cabinet adjourned.

Jon Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889
Aug 28

Foreign Office 11 A.M. All present.

Exposition at Dunedin N.Z.

Min Int read letter of inquiry from the Official Agent of the forthcoming exposition at Dunedin N.Z. as to whether Hawaii desires to be represented & stating some of the conditions in re. It was the opinion of the Cabinet that owing to the early date of the Exposition and other circumstances now existing no effort be made to place an exhibit there.

Atty Genl brought up the case of

Wm Lee in custody for larceny, asks to be released to leave country

William Lee short hand reporter, lately employed by the Sup Ct & the Atty Genl now in custody for larceny who is anxious to be allowed to go at large upon his own recognisance on condition that he leave the country. It was the opinion of the Cabinet that the prosecution should be allowed to take its course.

Pacific Cable Co to issue Bonds

Min Int read letter from the Pacific Cable Co advising him [redacted] posal of the Co to issue 5% 5-20 Bonds to amount sufficient to construct the Cable, not to exceed, say $1,500,000. The Hawaiian Govt to guarantee one third and the U.S. Govt two thirds of the principal of such Bonds, and the said Govts to pay subsidies as follows U.S. $100,000. and the Haw Govt $25,000. per year for 20 years, this Govt to grant the exclusive right to land cables in its dominions from the west coast of North America, and from Japan.

Sliding Scale

Min Interior suggested that the subsidies ought to be upon a sliding scale to be reduced as business increases. Consideration deferred till tomorrow.

Chinese departures & arrivals

Min Fin submitted figures showing departures of Chinese since the present law went into effect up to Aug 26th 1889 - to be 1993. Arrivals same time 1550. Excess of departures 443.

Cartridges.

The Cabinet discussed the propriety of purchasing cartridges to return the loan of 10,000. rounds made by the U.S. Adams July 30th & for future use. It was the sense of the Cabinet that pending further information as to the exact amount of arms and ammunition

now on hand, an order for 40,000. rounds of 45-70-405 grains cartridges be sent through Hall & Son, they to order on commission for the Govt. This will leave 30,000. rounds after returning the loan from the U. S. S. Adams.

Mail Steamer to Tahiti — Mr F.A. reported in re Mail Steamers to Tahiti that the French Commissioner has talked with Mr Irwin who thinks a meeting with the Cabinet unnecessary; and that he (Mr Irwin) will write to his Co in San Francisco suggesting that it make a tender to the French Govt. The Commission is to call at the Foreign Office tomorrow, and the Minister will authorize him to inform his Govt that the Hawaiian Administration is favorably disposed towards the enterprise and will recommend the Legislature to co-operate in the matter.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889
August 29 — Foreign Office 2. P.M. All present. Also Messrs H.A.P. Carter and A.F. Hartwell for the purpose of discussing the proposal of the Pacific Cable Co as submitted yesterday. The Min Int read the draft of a reply to said proposal, some alterations were made & it was deferred till tomorrow for decision.

Pacific Cable Company

Steamship Line to Tahiti — Min F.A. read a letter written by him to the French Commissioner in re the proposed Steamship Line to Tahiti promising to recommend that the Legislature Co-operate in the enterprize approved

Min F.A. read letter & papers from our Consul at Tahiti announcing the

Death of a Hawaiian subject named Kenuha at Tahiti

death of a Hawaiian subject named Kenuha in April last at Tahiti, and that he left property worth about $220. The Consul has administered the estate & paid bills. Agreed that Consul be directed to pay expenses out of the property and turn the balance over as requested by Kenuha before his death.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889
Sept 2 Foreign Office 11 A.M. All present.

Minutes of Aug 29th read and approved.

Libel by the Oiaio News paper.

Min Int read some extracts from the Oiaio libeling different Departments of the Government, and suggested that the Editor J. E. Bush be prosecuted for libel. The difficulty of conviction before a native jury was discussed, and the Minister promised to have some careful translations made, as a preliminary.

Custom House Changes

Min Fin reported the resignation of Mr Tewksbury as Storekeeper at the Honolulu Custom House, and suggested F. B. McStocker as successor. Also suggested Alauki as Port Surveyor in place of W H Sheldon at Kahului. Also that in place of Capt Whitney as Customs Guard, Clarence Crabbe be engaged. All approved.

Col Ashford's report of July 30th

Min F. A. reported the receipt of a lengthy report from Col Ashford on the events of July 30th, which was read to the Cabinet. A discussion of the efficiency of the Police and Military Forces followed, and it

In re Marshal

was suggested Fred Wundenberg and Marshal Soper change places. Also that the best man for Marshal would be E. G. Hitchcock Sheriff of Hawaii if available.

Atty Genl going to Maui & Hawaii — The Atty Genl announced his intention to leave for Maui tomorrow, & to take the Hall from there next tuesday & go to the term of Sup Ct at Kau. He is to have further talk with Mr Hitchcock.

Chinese departures — Min Fin reported the excess of Chinese departures during the life of the restriction act at 293.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jos Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889.

Sept 3 — Foreign Office 11-20 A.M. All present. Minutes of Sept 2nd read & approved.

Enlistment paper K.G. — Min F.A. submitted draft of Enlistment paper for the Kings Guard under the Military Act which was adopted.

Oahu Ry & Land Co — Min Int read reply from the Oahu R & L. Co. to the offer from the Minister as agreed by the Cabinet on Aug 21st suggesting, and the Ministers reply consenting to certain amendments of the clauses providing for compensation to the Co in case the Govt shall take its wharf improvements, the gist of which is, that the Co shall keep the same in good repair, and compensation shall be such as may be agreed upon by the parties, or by Arbitrators with right of Appeal to the Supreme Court, and without any fixed deductions for wear & tear. approved.

Corporations basis of return of values — Min Fin submitted the question of the basis on which values should be returned by Corporations in their annual reports to the Interior Department. And suggested that the values shown by their books should be the amount?

returned. Deferred for further consideration.

Paauhau Plantation asks remission of taxes on a bridge

Mr Fin submitted petition of Paauhau Plantation for remission of ~~duties~~ taxes on a steel bridge and some existing appurtenances at their landing, on the ground that the same are used by the public. It was decided that there is no authority for such remission the property being private property.

The bad condition of the tramways and the failure of the Co to observe the terms of its franchise was considered. Also the condition of the police and the project of change of positions by Marshal Soper, and P. M. Genl Wundenberg. Deferred for further consideration.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jno. Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889
Sept 5

Foreign Office 11 A.M. Present Ministers Thurston Damon & Austin. Atty Genl being absent on Maui.

Pacific Cable Co

Minutes of Sept 3 read & approved. Min Int submitted final draft of reply to President Hartwell of the Pacific Cable Co. read & approved.

New Supt for Tramways Co

The Tramways Co discussed again. Mr Damon spoke of having met Mr Paine who has come out from England to take charge on Oct 1st arrangement is to be made for Mr Paine to meet Min Int.

Shields for Gatling Guns

Proposition by the Marshal to have Steel Shields made for the Gatling guns approved, to be pd from Police appropriations. Also to have iron folding doors put at the entrances to the police

Iron doors for Station House

Station, approved to be pd for from appropriation for public buildings.

Int on deposits. Postal Savgs Bk

The subject of interest on Postal Savgs Bk deposits was discussed & deferred.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon Austin.
Min For Affairs—

1889 Oct 3

Treason Charges

Foreign Office 10 A.M. All present. The matter of the prosecutions of the insurgents being discussed, the project of reducing the charges against Wilcox and Loomens to conspiracy on condition that they plead guilty was considered. It is the sentiment of the cabinet that it is our manifest duty to prosecute those men for treason, trusting to the integrity of the jury to convict them. As to Markham & Boyd it had been previously arranged that they should be used for evidence. As to the other six Commitments for treason it was agreed that the Attorney General shall be authorized to offer them the option of pleading guilty to a charge of Conspiracy, in which case the charge of treason will be dropped. They are Poepoe, Mahaulu, Kahananui, Kaaha, Alex Smith and Makulani. It was further agreed that in the cases of Makulani & John Kaukau, the former charged with treason & the latter with conspiracy, they shall be offered the option of giving evidence and not be prosecuted.

Reply to Committee on U S Treaty

It was further agreed that Mr Kinney shall be engaged if possible - to argue the Wilcox case before the jury.

The Min Int read a compilation from

the several drafts made by the Ministers of a proposed reply to the Committee from the Native mass meeting in re the proposed American Treaty which was revised and agreed upon, to be ready for signature in time for publication in the Saturday papers.

Japanese Treaty agreed to

Min F.A. read revised draft of Treaty with Japan heretofore discussed in detail, which was agreed to, and that it be despatched to Tokio on the 5th inst. The proposed duration of the Treaty was fixed at 5 years instead of ten, and either party may give 12 mos notice of termination after four years from ratification.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Joe Austin.
Min For Affairs.

1889.
Oct 14th

Treason Trials

Foreign Office 9.45 A.M. All present. The State trials, and a verdict of guilty of Treason agt Loomens being reported, the policy of the Govt concerning the remaining trials was considered. Min Int reported overtures from one of Wilcox's Attys to have him plead guilty of conspiracy and receive a nominal sentence. Agreed that such plea might be accepted with the understanding that the time of imprisonment shall be not less than one year, and that the Govt will not ask for more than a years sentence. By invitation the Chief Justice came in to consult with the Cabinet in re. The result reached was that we should announce to the Attys the above conclusion, and reserve further action till we hear

their reply.

Charter of Inc Pepeekeo Sugar Co — The Min Int presented Charter of Incorporation for the Pepeekeo Sugar Co. which being in order was granted.

Amendment of Charter of Inc Kahului RR Co — Also a petition for Amendment of the Charter of Kahului R.R.Co permitting it to conduct a Commercial business & Charter vessels domestic & foreign. Granted.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon Austin
Min. For. Affairs.

1889
Oct. 24. Foreign Office. 10.15 a.m. All present.

District Judge Hamakua — Attorney General presented correspondence from Hamakua in re District Judge for that District; Agreed in accordance with recommendations of residents of the District that Edwin Thomas be nominated.

District Judge Ewa — Agreed that Moses Mahelona be nominated for District Judge of Ewa.

Wilcox's Uni. delivered to Italian Govt — Minister of Foreign Affairs read letter from Italian Consul, conveying information from the Italian Government that Wilcox had no right to wear the Italian uniform in which he appeared on July 30. 1889, and asking for aid in securing its delivery to the Italian Consul. Agreed that the uniform being in custody of the Marshal, it shall be delivered as requested.

75 Rifles ordered — Agreed that seventy five (75) rifles be at once ordered for arming the Honolulu Rifles (Twenty (20) of which can be supplied from the Police Station.)

Chinese letter agreed to — Minister of Interior submitted draft of proposed reply to the Committee who presented the Anti-Chinese Resolutions which was adopted and agreed to be signed by the members of the Cabinet when finally copied out in due form.

Chief Justice in re prosecutions

The Chief Justice having come in to consult as to the State Prosecutions it was agreed:-

1st That a Privy Council shall be requested for Saturday 26th inst. to consider the commutation of sentence to be passed on Loomens to-morrow in pursuance of his conviction for Treason. Also that the Government will recommend a reduction of such sentence to one years imprisonment.

Privy Council in re Loomens

2nd That on Monday next the further trial of Wilcox will be taken up on the charge of conspiracy and that when the commutation of the Loomens sentence is made the charge of Treason against Wilcox shall be withdrawn and he be admitted to bail on the charge of conspiracy.

Wilcox to be tried for Conspiracy

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889
Oct. 30. Foreign Office. 11.30. A.M. Present, Ministers Damon, Thurston and Austin.

Hawaiian Sugar Co. Chartered

Minister of Interior presented Charter for the Hawaiian Sugar Co. approved by the Attorney General. Granted.

O R & L Co. location of line approved

Minister of Interior presented petition of the Oahu Railroad & Land Co. for approval of the location of their terminal division east of the Prison Road from King St. Approval was granted of the location of the line, but not an approval of the amount of land to be given them by the Government in connection with the water front which is to be the subject of a special written agreement.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889 Foreign Office. 10. A.M. All present.
Nov. 4. Minutes of Oct. 24th and 30th read and approved.

H.M's Vice Chamberlain on Kings Guard

Minister of Foreign Affairs read letter from His Majesty's Vice-Chamberlain relating to the arrangement for the guarding of the Palace Gates, hoisting the Royal Standard giving of the countersign at the gates &c. &c. the substance of which is that the military sentries will not be hereafter posted at the entrance of the Palace, but will be replaced by Household Servants.

In re Chamberlain

Minister of Foreign Affairs reported that he and the Minister of Finance had interviewed His Majesty in re Chamberlaincy; and that His Majesty had later stated to Minister of Finance that he did not deem Mr Robertson a fit person to occupy the position permenantly, and that His Majesty had urged the fitness of Col. Macfarlane for the place, and argued in favor of his moral fitness as well, but no definite action was taken.

Importation of Arms & Ammunition

Minister of Finance showed report of importation of fire-arms from January 1. to June 30. 1889., showing 56 of all descriptions, mostly to regular dealers. Since June 30/89., 96 pistols and 76 revolvers, 34 guns, Hawaiian Government 44 Rifles dealers 33 Rifles. 117,000 Cartridges to Sept. 1. Since Sept. 1. the chief importation of arms has been by Tai Hee & Co.

Postal Savings Bk Statistics

In re Postal Saving's Bank, Minister of Finance showed figures as follows; for past seven months:- New A/cs opened 891. Renewals 59. Accounts closed 485. Net increase in number of accounts 465. A report from Mr Poor was read showing that an abnormally large amount had been withdrawn during 5 months past by mechanics leaving the country. Also showing

the present average monthly increment of deposits to be about $15,000.00 and other interesting statistics.

Recpts & Expts of Govt statistics

Minister of Finance also presented elaborate statistics showing the transactions of the Government, by quarters during the present period, and which he will still further elaborate, as a basis of his Biennial Report and it was in this connection;

Resolution

Resolved that hereafter the interest upon all Government Loans be paid from current receipts, and charged only to current expenses.

In re promulgation of Policy

Minister of Finance also brought up the subject of the promulgating a definite statement of Ministerial policy to go before the electors for the ensuing elections, and the idea was discussed at length.

Committee of Pacific Cable Co

Minister of Interior read letter from Committee of the Pacific Cable Co. in re proposed guarantee by the Government of the Bonds of the Company suggesting that the Government foot such bills absolutely without any recourse against the Company for such expenses. It was the opinion of the Cabinet that such suggestion cannot be entertained.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889
Nov. 5 Foreign Office. 2.00 P.M. All present.

Pacific Cable Co

By invitation, a committee of the Pacific Cable Co. met the Cabinet, to discuss the matter of the proposed guarantee by the Government of the interest on bonds to be issued by said Company in aid of the construction of such Cable. The position of the Committee is that the Government

should guarantee such bonds absolutely (to the amount of $500 000) without recourse against the Company for any money advanced in pursuance with such guaranty. After much discussion it was tentatively agreed that a given rate of interest (say 4½%) shall be allowed to stockholders upon the amounts actually paid by them upon their subscriptions to the stock, and that any surplus over that amount shall be placed in a sinking fund to meet maturing bonds. And should the Government make any payment in pursuance of such guaranty such deposits in a sinking fund shall continue until the Government is fully paid. Also that, upon request of the Government, the Company will issue new bonds to be similarly secured by the Government to provide funds for the retiring of all bonds outstanding at the end of the period for which they are issued, such re issue to be provided for by a continuance of the sinking fund as above described. Referred to Messrs L. A Thurston and W. O. Smith to present a written memorandum of a proposed agreement to the Cabinet at 2.00 P.M. Friday.

Macfarlane demands recognition as Chamberlain

Minister of Finance read letter from Col. G. W. Macfarlane stating facts of his alleged appointment as His Majesty's Chamberlain Oct. 1. 1888. and demanding his salary since that date. Also draft of a reply refusing to pay such salary on the ground that the Cabinet not having sanctioned such appointment, we do not recognize him as Chamberlain.

Denied

Minister of Finance also read report from Commission appointed by the Collector General of Customs upon the investigation

Report on threatened collision of Steamers.

into the recent narrowly escaped collision between the "Kinau" and "W. G. Hall" near Maalaea Bay on the Maui Coast.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin,
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889
Nov. 8. Foreign Office, 10.^00 A.M. All present.

Mr J. Cognet on Tahitian line of Steamers

By invitation Mr Jos. J. Cognet, our Consul at Papeete, Tahiti, met the Cabinet and discussed the matter of the establishment of steam communication between Honolulu and Tahiti. He thought the Tahitian Government would be willing to pay a subsidy of $20 000 to $25 000 per year and a remission of harbor light and wharfage dues, a free grant of land for a warehouse &c. &c. He expressed a purpose to establish a Company to purchase a steamer to place upon this line. It was explained to him that this Cabinet had expressed to the Oceanic S. S. Co. a willingness to recommend a subsidy of $6.000.^00 per annum for such line and that it would be willing to grant such amount to any Company which Mr Cognet might establish. Stated Tahitian Imports to be about $2,400 000; Exports about one half that amount. Duties on general goods (except liquors &c) 12% ad valorem.

Estimated expenses of line $7,000.^00 to $8.000.^00 per month. Receipts 50 passengers per passage $4000.^00; 800 tons freight @ $4.^00. $3,200; Profits on Cattle to be carried on Company's A/c &c. would in all pay all expenses and proposed subsidies will be profit. Agreed that Mr Cognet should meet the Cabinet again after he shall have heard from abroad.

Col. C. P. Iaukea Commissioner of Crown

Unassigned lands to be given up

Lands and Mr Hatch met the Cabinet by appointment, to discuss the matter of the surrender by the Commissioners to the Minister of the Interior of certain of the so-called unassigned lands now held by them.

The Commissioners agreed to so surrender all such lands upon condition that no claim for mesne profits be enforced by the Minister, and the Minister personally undertakes not to bring any suits of ejectment against the lessees until the matter can be referred to the Legislature.

Pacific Cable Co.

2. P.M. The Committee of the Pacific Cable Co. who met the Cabinet on the 6th were again introduced, and the question of the Governments guarantee rc. rc. were further discussed. It was agreed by a majority of the Cabinet that the Minister of the Interior should write a letter to the Committee in the terms of a draft of a letter read to the meeting

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos. Aust. Chamberlain
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1889
Nov. 10 Foreign Office 10. A.M. All present

Macfarlane sues for Salary

Minister of Finance presented summons against him by Col. G. H. Macfarlane for salary as Chamberlain returnable on the 13th. Handed to Attorney General to draw answer.

Steamers San Pablo & Costa Rica re taxation

Question of taxation of steamer "Costa Rica" and San Pablo was brought up by the Minister of Finance. Minister of Finance stated that application had been made for extension of provisional register of "Costa Rica" for one year.

Minister of Foreign Affairs read com-

-munication from Hawaiian Consul General at San Francisco in regard to the matter dated June 26. last making similar request and his reply consenting to the same dated July 12th last. Mr. McKinley stated the taxes would be paid to him. The communication stated, the vessel was valued at $30,000.

Consuelo released for $2000.

The "Oceanic Steamship Co applied to have the "Consuelo" relieved from the libel for forfeiture for having imported opium in a concealed place - Agreed to upon their paying $2,000 which the Minister of Finance said they had agreed to. Referred to the Attorney General.

SS Australia released no fine

Similar application on behalf of S.S. "Australia" for having brought in opium in certain barrels of merchandise without their having been entered on the manifest. Agreed that this should be done without fine, as it appeared to be un-intentional on the part of the ship's owners and officers.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon A Austin

Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889.

Nov. 13 Foreign Office. 10.20 A.M. All present. Minutes of November 5th, 8th, and 10th read and approved.

Paris Exposition to be sent to Isenberg at Bremen

Minister of Foreign Affairs read reply from Consul Glade, in re proposal to deliver the Hawaiian Exhibit in Paris to Hon. Paul Isenberg at Bremen for exhibition there. The position of this Government is, that we will pay the expense of sending the exhibit to Bremen, and after the arrival there, Mr Isenberg will at his own expense, place the exhibit, and at the conclusion of the exposition send them to Honolulu and it was agreed that the Minister of

Foreign Affairs should so reply to Consul Glade.

H.T. Brigham & Lord Geo Paulet papers

Also read letter from Prof. W.T. Brigham in re permission for him to examine the archives of the Foreign Office concerning the Lord George Paulet occupation of these Islands.

Hawn Pacific Cable Co Charter referred back

Minister of Interior presented petition for a Charter for the Hawaiian Pacific Cable Co. (Inter Island) which, with amendments noted had been recommended by the Attorney General. Referred back for some additions.

In re Portuguese laborers

Minister of Interior reported that the Planters Labor & Supply Co. had arranged for Hon. Paul Isenberg to go to Lisbon to superintend the obtaining and shipping of a further supply of Portuguese Laborers and propose that the Government shall assist in paying the expense of such women as shall be found necessary in order to induce men to immigrate. He reported the appropriation of $30,000 for this period as about expended. See margin.

"Resolved, that the Cabinet will recommend the appropriation of $50,000 in aid of immigration which should be used towards paying one half of the expense of women & children accompanying Portuguese laborers, and expense of women accompanying Japanese laborers."

Some conversation was had in re the coming elections and also the Crown Lands.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1889.
Nov 15.

Foreign Office 2.30 P.M. All present

Hawn Pacific Cable Co Charter.

Charter of Hawaiian Pacific Cable Co as amended passed.

Resolution

The following resolution was passed unanimously.

"Resolved.

That the Post Master General be and he is hereby authorized to

sign in duplicate the Convention establishing a system of Exchange of Money orders between the Post Office Department of Honolulu, and the General Post Office of the Colony of Victoria which was signed in duplicate at Melbourne the 30th day of August 1889. by Fred^k J. Derham Post Master General of Victoria."

Royal Hawn Hotel in re from Dr McGrew to purchase the Royal Hawaiian Hotel property. Agreed that the Minister reply that the Cabinet will recommend that the property be put up at Auction at an upset price of $50,000. if Dr McGrew will agree to assign his lease to the purchaser on the terms upon which he now leases the same to Macfarlanes.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889
Nov 18. Foreign Office 11 A.M. Atty General gone to California, rest present.

Minutes amended Minutes of 13th & 15th inst read amended by the insertion of a resolution which was passed at ~~that~~ meeting of the 13th. then approved.

Offer to U.S. of $500,000. for Pacific Cable if built by U.S. Agreed that Min For Af shall write to Min R A P Carter directing him to offer to the U.S. Govt $500,000. if it will build Pacific Cable and stating the situation in re the Pacific Cable Co.

Dr Emerson asked to resign Min Interior moved that Dr Emerson be requested to resign the Office of Pres Board of Health and that Dr Kimball be appointed both on the grounds of economy and efficiency. Agreed to.

Dr Kimball to be appointed

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs.

1889 Foreign Office 12 M. Present
Nov 30 Ministers Thurston, Damon & Austin
— Min Int presented plan and appli-
O&R&L Co Termination of the Oahu Railway & Land
nal Division Co. for approval of the Terminal Division
— Approved. Also a draft of form of
O&R&L Co. Agt Agreement between the Government
to occupy wa- and the O&R&L Co. under which the Co
ter frontage is permitted to occupy water frontage
on the West side of Honolulu Harbor.
Form approved with a few amend-
ments suggested by the Min Interior
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jos Austin
Min For Affairs.

1890.

Jan 21. Foreign Office 10.30 A.M. Present Ministers
— Thurston Damon and Austin.
Eva Sugar Co Charter for the Eva Sugar Co. as amended-
Chartered passed.
Grove Ranch Pl Co Petition for Dis-incorporation of the Grove
dis-incorporated Ranch Plantation Co.- Granted
Papaikou Sug Co Petition for Dis-incorporation of the
dis-incorporated Papaikou Sugar Co.- Granted
— Application of the Oahu Railway and
O&R&L Co, Pearl Land Co. for approval of location of the Pearl
River Division River Division from Manana through Wai-
located -awa, Waipio, Waikele, Hoaeae and Honouliuli
— as per Exhibits D. and E. Approved.
J P Kama J. P. Kama was nominated District
Dist Just Eva Justice for Eva and Waianae
& Waianae Petition of the Mutual Telephone Co.
Mutual Tel Co to increase the Capital Stock to $100 000.
Stock increased Granted.
The Cabinet then adjourned
Jos Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890 Foreign Office 2.30 P.M. Present Ministers
Jan 22. Thurston, Damon and Austin

Pacific Sug Mill Increase of Capital — Petition from the Pacific Sugar Mill to increase their Capital Stock to $300.000 — Granted.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890
Jany 27 Foreign Office 2 P.M. Present Ministers Thurston Damon and Austin

G.W.A. Hapai Dist & Police Justice of Dist Hawaii & Port of Hilo — G.W.A. Hapai was nominated for District & Police Justice of the First District of Hawaii & Port of Hilo.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1890
Feb'y 4. Cabinet met at the residence of the Minister of Foreign Affairs at 7 P.M. Present Ministers Thurston, Damon and Austin.

England and United States Representatives propose to land troops as guards for Legations — Minister of Foreign Affairs reported that the Hon John L. Stevens, American Minister Resident had called upon him and stated that at the request of Major Wodehouse British Commissioner he had agreed that Guards for the English and American Legations should be landed to morrow morning from the English and American War Ships now in Port. That upon receiving this statement the Minister of Foreign Affairs had vigorously objected to such landing and informed Mr Stevens that every precaution against violence or disorder during and after the election had been taken by the Government and that it would protect the lives and property of all persons; explaining at length the details of such precautionary measures, and that Mr Stevens then said that he had consented to the

The Min F.A. objects. & proposes to guard all lives and property.

to the proposals of the British Commissioner upon the condition that no objection was made by this Government, that he would confer again with Mr Wodehouse.

Objections approved

The action of the Minister of Foreign Affairs was approved, and it was decided to address a letter to Mr Stevens expressing the objections of this Government to the proposed course, and stating that it was entirely unnecessary. And at the same time tendering to each Legation any guard which might by it be deemed necessary or advisable. At this point Mr Stevens came in and said that he had again visited Major Wodehouse and that they had in deference to the wishes of this Government decided to refrain from landing any men. The Ministers then tendered to Mr Stevens any guard which he thought best for his Legation, Mr Stevens thanked the Ministers, stated that he was satisfied with the measures taken by them and should not require any guard. Mr Stevens then retired.

Mr Stevens U S Min Res enters

Proposed landing abandoned

Tender of guard none required

And it was agreed that the Minister of Foreign Affairs should immediately call upon Major Wodehouse and explain to him our preparations and tender guards as we had done to Mr Stevens.

Min F A to visit Mr Wodehouse & tender guard

The meeting then adjourned and the Minister of Foreign Affairs repaired at once to the residence of Major Wodehouse and carried out the arrangement. Major Wodehouse expressed himself satisfied and stated that he should require no guard, after which the Minister of Foreign Affairs went to the Marshal and instructed him that should he receive a call for assistance from either the British or American Legation, to respond immediately with whatever number of men might be

Visit M F A to Mr Wodehouse

Tender of guard declined

M F A directs Marshal to respond to any call from Legations

asked for.

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
Feb. 6. Finance Office 10. A.M. Present Ministers Thurston, Damon and Austin.

French complaint of Mr Thurston's public speech

The Minister of Foreign Affairs laid before the Cabinet a despatch from Mons. G.B. d'Anglade Commissioner for France dated Feby 1. 1890 in which he calls attention to a certain speech made by Mr Thurston at a public meeting, and claims that it was conceived in a spirit hostile to France and expresses the hope that the Hawaiian Cabinet is disposed to modify the attitude taken in regard to his country and willing by a public declaration to weaken the painful impression produced by Mr Thurston's discourse, also a letter by the Minister of Foreign Affairs dated February 4th acknowledging the receipt of Mons. d'Anglade's despatch promising to take the earliest practicable opportunity to lay said despatch before the Cabinet, and in the meantime assuring Mons d'Anglade that there has been no intention in that speech to indicate or display any hostility to France, but that on the contrary His Majesty's Government values very highly the friendship and good-will shown us by that grand Nation.

Reply by Min For Affairs

M.F.A. to confirm above reply

It was unanimously agreed that the Minister of Foreign Affairs shall address a despatch to Mons. d'Anglade on behalf of His Majesty's Cabinet fully confirming the Ministers said despatch of Feby 4th.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890 Foreign Office 2 P.M. Present
Feb. 25 Ministers Thurston, Damon and Austin

Nomination of V Ashford for Colonel Haw'n Vols

The Minister of Foreign Affairs read a letter from Major Hebbard certifying the re-election by the Officers of the Hawaiian Volunteers of V. V. Ashford as Colonel for the coming two years.

Cabinet will not approve

Agreed that the Cabinet will not approve and present the name of V. V. Ashford to His Majesty for Commission. - Letter ordering a further nomination and notice to Colonel Ashford approved.

Makalua to be continued

Minister of Foreign Affairs read letter from Mr Makalua and it was agreed to authorize our Consul in London to pay £30. for his examination fees - also a balance of £6. due him when he commenced to take his allowance of £200. a year and to continue his allowance till January 1891.

J.A.

In re Consul General for Germany

Minister of Foreign Affairs read letters from Mr Friedlander of Berlin and Mr Weber of Hamburg applying for appointment as Consul General to Germany. Agreed that the Minister of Foreign Affairs shall see Mr Glade about Mr Isenberg and then if thought best appoint Mr Weber.

Mr Berger appd C.G. for Denmark he is now for Sweden & Norway.

Minister of Foreign Affairs presented letter from Mr Berger Consul General for Sweden and Norway applying for same for Denmark. Granted.

Union Iron Works Co Chartered

Charter granted to the Union Iron Works Co. subject to amendments proposed.

Haw'n Land Scheme Co referred back

Charter for Hawaiian Land Scheme Co. referred back for amendment.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890 Foreign Office. 2 P.M. Present Ministers
Feb. 26 Thurston, Damon and Austin

Minister of Foreign Affairs presented two
R H Atkins resp petition in re appointment of Police Justice
P J for Kohala for North Kohala. Appointed R. H. Atkins.

Minister of Foreign Affairs read letters
J W. Girvin ap from Capt. Wilfong and Mr J. W. Girvin in re
Consul San Diego Consul at San Diego California Agreed to
appoint Mr Girvin.

Lease to O R & L Co Lease of Government to Oahu Railway &
discussed Land Co. of terminal division read and dis-
cussed and amended.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jas. A. Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890
Mar. 10. Foreign Office. 2 P.M. Present Ministers
Thurston, Damon, Austin and Ashford.

Minister of Foreign Affairs read letter from
Nurses for Lepers Charge d' Affaires Hoffmann at London asking as to
how he should answer applicants for permission
to go to Molokai as nurses to the lepers. Agreed
that he should be informed that no further
additions to the number of such attendants
are needed.

Also from Consul General E. C. Smith at
Complaint Sydney N.S.W. complaining that Capt. van Oterendorp
agt Capt Vz of the Hawn. S.S "Zealandia" is accustomed to taking
the Zealandia men at Sydney, to work the Ship, without ob-
serving the Shipping Laws as to the engagement
and discharge of such men at the Consulate.

In re Registry Also from our Consul at Melbourne
of Bk Pakwan detailing certain matters in connection with
the Registry and Shipping of men on the Bark
Pak-Wan, both of which were left for the Minister
of Foreign Affairs to acquaint Messrs W. G. Irwin & Co
who are Agents for the first, and interested in
the ownership of the latter of the facts concern-
ing.

German Bark Adonis

Also from Dover, England reporting distress of German Bark "Adonis" en route from Bremen to Honolulu

Bill vs the Marshal for caps &c

Attorney General submitted matter in dispute between him and the Marshal in re payment of bill for Police hats &c. ordered by the Marshal without authority from the Attorney General or otherwise. Deferred for further action.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jos Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890
Mar 12

Foreign Office 2.30 P.M. All present.

Lease to O.R. & L Co agreed to

Proposed lease of wharf and terminal site and facilities to Oahu Railway & Land Co. as heretofore discussed in Cabinet was again considered, and the draft thereof amended in some particulars and agreed that in the amended form it shall be signed and delivered

Armory Site Exchange of lot with Sailors Home

In re Armory site on Bethel St. on the site owned by the Sailors Home, the exchange of a government lot corner of Halekauila and Alakea Streets 100 x 132 for the first named was considered; and it was agreed that the Minister of Interior should accept the offer of the Sailor's Home Society to make the exchange.

2 Vacancies in Bd of Immigration

There being two vacancies in the Board of Immigration caused by the resignation of Messrs J. S. Walker and J. L. Kaulukou, it was decided that Messrs J. N. S. Williams and James B. Castle be invited to fill the vacancies.

In re Appns to be recommended

Minister of the Interior introduced several matters connected with the coming Session and appropriations to be asked for certain improvements including sewerage for Honolulu, Water Supply for Hamakua

and Kohala, Hydrographic survey rc. rc. and it was agreed that the Minister of Interior shall write to Mr Schuyler of San Francisco offering him $500.00 per month and expenses of travel, to come here and make some surveys and reports for certain of these projects.

Re-nomination V V Ashford not approved

Minister of Foreign Affairs read report from Major H. F. Hebbard to effect that at a meeting of Officers of the 1st Battalion on the 10th instant V. V. Ashford was elected as the nominee of the office of Colonel of Volunteers. It was moved by the Minister of Foreign Affairs that the Cabinet adhere to its former declination to approve the nomination, which motion was carried by a vote of 3 to 1 - the Attorney General voting nay. The matter of any further nomination for the position was deferred.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
Mar 15. Foreign Office 10.50 A.M. All present.

Minister of Interior read circular proposed to be sent to Planters and others in re condition of labor at present, showing number of different nationalities. A list of names of gentlemen and firms was submitted and approved to whom such circular should be sent.

Circular re labor statistics
Names of parties to receive

In re Crown Lands, Minister of Finance reported application of Olowalu Co for an extension of their lease and that it was offered them they should have a 25 year lease from the present at $1500, the present lease running 9 years at $700.00 Approved.

Extension of Crown lease to Olowalu

Petition for Charter of the Campbell, Marshall Co. Granted.

Campbell Marshall Co. Charters

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890 Foreign Office 9.45 A.M. All present
Mar. 18 Minister of Foreign Affairs read correspondence
from Minister Carter in re Treaty with United
Treaty & Cable States and prospective U S. Cable, showing that
propositions Mr Blaine will be willing to negotiate about
with the U.S. April 1st. provided Mr Carter be provided with
specific authority to treat. Also that Mr Blaine
will soon formulate a proposition to submit
to Congress for such a guaranty as will
ensure the construction of Cable from Cali-
fornia.

R G Packard in re Also from R. G. Packard in re estimates
estimates for for work on Honolulu harbor, he having
harbor work only just received the data upon which
to base estimates, and promising to make
at once and send forward such estimates.

Treaty relations The matter of the extension of Treaty
to be submitted relations with the United States was discuss-
to Labor con- -ed by each member, and it was agreed
ference to submit the consideration to the con-
ference called to consider the labor
question on March 24th.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
Mar. 19 Foreign Office 10. A.M. All present.
Minister of Foreign Affairs read letter from
R. W. Wilcox Mr R. W. Wilcox requesting the return of his
wants his unifor (Italian) Uniform and sword taken from him
after his capture on July 30th last: Agreed that
the Minister will reply stating that the Govern-
It was delivered -ment has upon request of the Italian Govern-
to Italian Consul -ment, delivered said Uniform to the Italian
Consul here; also that the Minister has never
had possession of the sword.

Hawn Tram- Minister of Interior read reply to letters
ways Co wants from Mr Paine, Superintendent Hawn Tramways
the earth Co. declining to allow the Company free water

declined

free sand and earth, and to keep the street in order between the company's two tracks on Fort Street.

Col of Vols
Maj Hebbard
nomination

In re Colonel of Volunteers, Minister of Foreign Affairs moved that Major H. F. Hebbard be nominated for the position. The Attorney General suggested that the tenure of office of Col. Ashford has not expired under Section 13 of the Military Act. The matter having been discussed by the different members of the Cabinet was carried by a vote of 3 to 1 - the Attorney General voting - nay. The matter of Cabinet harmony being discussed, this whole question was deferred for further discussion to-morrow.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
March 20

Foreign Office 10 a.m. All present. This being an adjourned meeting held for the purpose of allowing the Attorney General to further announce his position assumed at the meeting yesterday in re a nomination of a successor to Col Ashford, the Atty Genl adhered to his position, and thought it unwise that he should now make a categorical answer to the question of his colleagues as to whether he would advise the King against such nomination in case of its being presented by his colleagues. Such being the question asked yesterday. The other Members of the Cabinet after a further discussion of the situation, expressed the opinion that, owing to the disagreement here involved the Atty Genl should retire from the Cabinet, and requested him to

Atty Genl objects to nomination of Hebbard for Col

Atty Genl requested to retire from the Cabinet

Atty Genl de-sires to re-tire.

The Atty Genl declined to retire, giving as a reason that he felt it his duty to remain and prevent by all legitimate means the consummation of the project proposed by the rest of the Cabinet as to the appointment of a successor to Col Ashford, whose term of Office the Atty Genl holds has not yet expired according to law.

The Cabinet then Adjourned.

Jon^a Austin
Min For Affairs

1890

Mar 21.

Foreign Office 10^{1/2} A. M. All present.

Mexican Steamship, R W Laine

Minister of Interior read letter from R. W. Laine announcing the early arrival of the initial steamer of a line between the ports of the Orient and of Mexico, and asking what concessions in re harbor dues &c. &c. will be made by the Government.

Concessions which may be made

Minister of Interior referred to page 565 of Compiled Laws (Act of 1874) as authorizing the grant of such concessions. (as amended by Chap. IV. of 1886 page 9.)

Agreed that such contract as above authorized and necessary to the case upon their agreeing to make Honolulu a regular and permanent port of call, and making passenger and freight rates to and from this port, proportioned to the distance to be carried may be made by the Minister of Interior.

To be considered

Spencer & Freeth ask for right to work Laysan Island for Guano & Phosphates

Minister of Interior read letter from C. N. Spencer and G. D. Freeth asking for exclusive right to remove guano and phosphates from Laysan Island 800 miles N. W. of here and asking for terms upon which such right will be granted.

It was the opinion of the Cabinet that the Island having been long since taken possession of by Capt. Paty for the Hawaiian Government

the Island is Government Land. It is also proposed by the gentlemen to take Liscansky Island lying about 100 miles from Laysan for the same purpose.

Deferred

This matter was deferred for further consideration.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
Mar. 22

Foreign Office 10 A. M. All present; Deputy Attorney General Peterson also present as well to discuss with Cabinet the question of what is to be done with the prisoners held in different Jails; now that Judge McCully has sustained the Auditor General in his refusal to audit certain necessary bills drawn against the appropriation for Support of Prisoners. It was agreed that whereas the scope of the decision is broad enough to cover all works upon which the prisoners might otherwise be employed, especially in the District of Honolulu, the Minister of Interior shall at once order the cessation of all prison labor upon any public works in Honolulu and that he will discharge all outside guards and keep the prisoners confined in Jail, pending a decision of this matter upon appeal.

McCullys decision sustaining Auditor Gen. in refusing to audit bills for support of Prisoners

Prisoners to be kept in Jail

Guards to be discharged

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
Mar 24.

Foreign Office 10.^50 A.M. All present.

Minister of Foreign Affairs explained in answer to complaint of Sorenson and Lyle that certain ram rods for the Kakaako Battery had not been paid for that he had ordered Capt. Kahalewai to get bids for 7, whereas 21 had been furnished without any bids and that

In re Ramrods for Battery

he had refused to pay for more than 7.

Apptmt of Clerk to Marshal

The Attorney General submitted the question whether he should interfere to prevent the appointment of J. M. Oat as Marshal's Clerk, he being a non resident, and having taken no part in the late affairs in connection with the institution and maintenance of the present Government. It was the opinion of the Cabinet that the Attorney General would be justified in forbidding the appointment of Mr Oat and insisting upon the appointment of one of the men who have assisted in the affairs of the Government, and that H. M. Dow and Thos. E. Wall would either of them make a suitable incumbent.

Atty Gen asked to forbid apptmt of J. M. Oat.

H. M. Dow or T. E. Wall recommended

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon. Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
Mar 25. Foreign Office, 9.30 A.M. All present.

Minister of Interior submitted drafts of letters in reply to:

Mexican Steamship Co.
Laysan Island

1. R. W. Laine in re Mexican S.S. Co. and
2. G. D. Freeth & C. M. Spencer in re Laysan Island concessions

for the purpose of developing the guano and phosphates industry.

The first offered such concessions as the statute allows as per minutes of the 21st inst.

To the second, he replied assuring the Island to be Government land, and offered a license to take material during the two years ensuing, free of charge, and thereafter to pay 50¢ per ton for such material as they remove, with the right of either party to call for a revision of the amount of royalty by abitration if no agreement can be otherwise reached. The term of such further license to be 20 years. These two drafts were agreed to.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted

U.S. Treaty a-mended in a draft

an amended draft of a proposed new treaty of reciprocity with the United States being the draft discussed last summer with the clause providing for the American guaranty of our independence eliminated, and the Pearl River clause made dependent upon the extension to us of Article III viz: the adoption of free trade. The matter having been discussed at some length it was deferred for the present, and agreed that representatives from Sugar houses and also from the opposition members elected to the next House be invited to meet the Cabinet at the Foreign Office at 10.00 A.M. the ~~31st inst.~~ 1st of April.

Meeting called to confer

The Cabinet then adjourned

John Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890
April 1.

Foreign Office, 2 p.m. All present.

Minister of Interior read letter from Mr. Packard enclosing estimates of $750 000 as the probable cost of digging out the bar to Honolulu harbor.

R.G. Packard estimate for harbor work

The proposed Treaty was again discussed, and the conference of this morning referred to. The Attorney General still felt as when the matter was last discussed.

U.S. Treaty discussed

It was agreed that a further meeting shall be held to-morrow.

The Cabinet then adjourned

John Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
April 2

Foreign Office 10. A.M. All present

It was agreed that the Attorney General should be recommended to nolle pros the conspiracy and riot cases now pending on the ground that no probability exists of securing a conviction in any of them

Conspiracy Cases to be Nol pros'd

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
April 5 Foreign Office 10.30 A.M. All present
Minister of Foreign Affairs read letter from Minister Carter notifying us of the issue of an invitation from the United States to Hawaii to be represented in the Pan American Congress and indicating a probability of his entering the Congress provisionally also telegrams from him saying he awaits formal powers.

Invitation of US to Pan American Congress

Also letter from the American Minister Resident formally communicating the above invitation.

Agreed that the invitation be accepted, the King advised to accredit Carter, and that he be instructed accordingly.

Accepted Carter to be recommended as Delegate

Minister of Interior read request from the Oahu Railway & Land Co. for approval of location of Palama Branch. Agreed with proviso for protection of highway to be endorsed on Plan before signing. Charter for Hawaii Land Co. was granted.

OR & L Co. Location of Palama Branch

Hawaii Land Co chartered

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1890
April 17 Foreign Office 12 M All present.
The King being about to go to Kona tomorrow, it was agreed that May 21st be appointed for the meeting of the Legislature, no earlier date being practicable because of the time required to prepare the reports and Budget. Cabinet Council to be called for this afternoon for the purpose

Meeting of Legislature May 21st

Cabinet adj^d
Jon^a Austin
Min^r for Affairs

1890 Foreign Office 2.30 P.M. All present.
April 21. The Attorney General presented a paper proposing to remove the Marshal for neglect of his superior officers, and disobedience of orders.

Proposal to remove Marshal Deferred.

The other Ministers declined to sign the paper, on the grounds, 1st that it is not good policy to make a change in the present state of feeling in the community, and 2d that in consideration of the Attorney Generals recent course they have no confidence in him.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs.

1890
April 22 Foreign Office 11 A.M. All present.
Mr C.L. Carter by invitation met the Cabinet to discuss some of the objections made to the charter asked for by the Pioneer Building and Loan Association, the differences of opinion between Mr Carter and the Attorney General were explained, and it was thought best to defer further consideration of the matter till the Ministers shall have opportunity to further investigate the principles applicable to Associations of this nature.

Pioneer Building & Loan Assn considered

Deferred

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs

1890
April 29 Foreign Office 10.30 A.M. All present.
The Minister of Finance suggested that Commissions be made for Justices Bickerton and Dole as 2d and 3d Justices of the Supreme Court, in view of the death of Justice Preston. Agreed to.

The Cabinet then adjourned.

Jon^n Austin
Min For Affairs

1890 May 14

Foreign Office 10.30 A.M. All present

Speech from the Throne

Minister of Foreign Affairs submitted a draft of a Speech from the throne which was approved with some slight suggestions of amendments of a verbal character.

Building & Loan Assn Charter agreed upon

The draft of Charter for the Pioneer Building and Loan Association as finally recommended by the Attorney General was read, and with some slight amendments, it was agreed that the Petitioners shall be notified that the Cabinet are prepared to grant a Charter in the terms of this draft, and inviting them to present any objections thereto.

Bills drafted for Legislature

Minister of Finance presented drafts of amending Acts in re Hospital Tax, Supply of Revenue Stamps, Interest to be allowed by the Treasury to the Post Office Savings Bank, on its deposits, also to provide for the issue of 5% Bonds to Post office Savings Bank depositors, all of which were approved.

The Cabinet then adjourned

Jon^a Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs

1890 May 22.

Foreign Office 11.15 A.M. Present Ministers Thurston, Damon and Austin.

4 Charters granted

Minister of Interior presented Petitions for Charters with Attorney Generals recommendation as follows:-

1 Hawaiian Baseball Association, Capital $5000.00 Granted.

2 North Pacific Phosphate & Fertilizer Co. Capital $100000.00 Granted.

3 Hilo Soda Works, Capital $5,000.00 Granted.

4 Honolulu Dairy Co. Capital $20.000 Granted

The Cabinet then adjourned
Jos. Austin
Minister of Foreign Affairs.